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H. C. OLMSTED,

AT THE

Leading Dry Goods Store

Is still doing business and expects to be whether they strike gas or oil. My stock is complete in every line. - - - - -

Dress Goods.

I have the largest and best assortment ever kept by me, which I am selling at VERY CLOSE PRICES. - - - - - -
Come and see the beautiful styles in Ladies Capes and Jackets, cheaper than you can buy the same in the large cities. Also Misses and Children's Jackets. - -

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It is not necessary to enumerate the many bargains I have for you. Come and see for yourselves. We will take pleasure in showing you them, whether you wish to buy or not.

Respectfully

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Staple and Fancy Groceries, Dry Goods, Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats, Fruit in season, Tobacco, Cigars, Confectionery and School Supplies.

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We would be pleased to have you call and inspect our stock whether you purchase or not.

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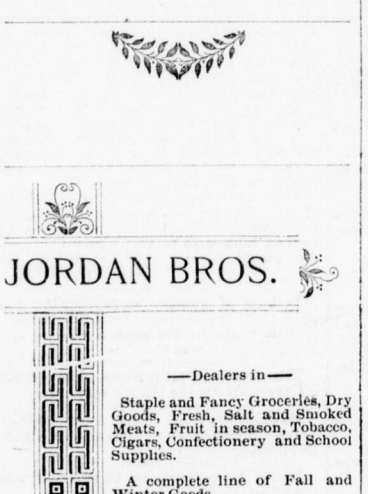
Spring Attire



EVERY MAN has or ought to have an eye to on his attire. Fine Clothing is the uniform of success and prosperity. Every man seeks to look his best. He must have a good tailor to help him do it. We claim first place in that line and having opened our

New Spring and Summer Goods.

We are now ready to serve our customers with the latest in models of clothes.

R. SEGER & CO.,

THE MERCHANT TAILORS.

Emporium, Pa.

Council Proceedings.

Regular Meeting Borough Council, Emporium, April 4th, 1898. Present: Palmer, Lloyd, Hacket, Balcom, Warner, Burke, Strayer, Burns and Day.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Burns that Rescue Hook and Ladder Company occupy so much of the large room on second floor of City Hall as may be necessary. Carried.

On motion by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, the following bills were ordered paid:

D. C. Hayes, hauling hose cart	$3 00
Emporium Machine Co., repairing hose nozzle	2 25
Thos. Smith, work on streets	5 25
John Welsh, work on streets	1 50
Thos. Cavanaugh, work on streets	3 75
Chas. Myers, work on streets	6 00
J. Bair, work on streets	3 00
James Farrel, work on streets	2 25
Wm. Gribble, work on streets	3 75
Lee Hopkins, work on streets	3 75
R. P. Bingman, work on streets, team	8 75

Moved by Mr. Day, seconded Mr. Palmer. that Chair appoint committee to view the premises on West Allegany avenue, in regard to ditch. Carried. Messrs. Day, Burke and Strayer were appointed.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Lloyd that P. R. Beattie be employed as street commissioner and policeman for the ensuing year at same salary as heretofore.

Moved by Mr. Burke, that J. Bair be employed as street commissioner and policeman. Motion not seconded.

The election was by acclamation and P. R. Beattie was declared elected.

The resignation of John J. Hinkle as chief of fire department was read and accepted.

The bond of J. H. Reed, Poormaster was presented and approved.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Palmer that persons filling ditches be notified to open same. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Lloyd, that Secretary request the Pennsylvania R. R. Co. to open ditch on north side of track, east of Walnut street. Carried.

Mr. Hacket called Mr. Day to the Chair and moved that Councilmen of each ward form a committee to look after streets and other necessary work, seconded by Mr. Strayer and carried.

Moved by Mr. Hacket, seconded by Mr. Balcom that Secretary notifiy Western New York & Pennsylvania Railway Co., to take care of water coming down Portage street between tracks and street and also repair sidewalk between tracks and public bridge on Cameron road and put a railing on same. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hacket, seconded by Mr. Lloyd that committee be appointed to investigate cost of street roller. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded Mr. Lloyd that exoneration list be allowed as marked by Secretary on list filed. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Lloyd that notices to persons to rebuild side walks be served in accordance with list filed. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Balcom, seconded by Mr. Lloyd that bills be rendered for cleaning sidewalks according to list filed. Carried

On motion the Council then adjourned for one week.

C. JAY GOODNOUGN, Sec'y.

Easter Time Has Come Once More.

Easter services next Sunday in the M. E. Sunday school as follows:

Opening song by the school, "He who was Slain on Calvary."
Subject of the Responsive Reading Service, "The Second Coming of Christ."
Song by the school, "Jesus is Coming Again."
Study of the lesson, "The Resurrection of Jesus."
Easter Address by Joe McNarney.
Quartette of girls, "Easter Time has Come Once More."
Class Song, by little girls, "Tell the Good News."
Trio and violin obligato, "Glory, Glory, Night is Ended."
Duet and Chorus, "Joy Comes with the Morning."
Duet and violin obligato, "Life in the Morning."

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

Recitations by Margaret Ulrich, Naoma Fry, Jean McNarney, Helen Fulton and Willie Welsh.
Song, "At Easter Time."
Motion song, "Little Bells of Easter,"
Closing song by the School, "Low He Cometh."

The Primary department will meet at the church on Friday and Saturday afternoon at four o'clock for practice.

All flowers to be at Church Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. Send your palms.

About forty palms and azaleas will come from Philadelphia this week. A very large number of large and small palms leaves have arrived from Florida. The Church will be turned into a palm grove and will be open to the public Saturday evening.

Fish Laws.

Friends of the protection of fish should remember that the law gives to the informer one-half the fine imposed. The penalties for some of the most common violations of the law in this section are as follows:

Fishing with seins, set nets, hoop nets, fike nets or nets of any other discription or kind whatsoever, or any other set means or devise other than rod, hook and line, penalty for the the first offense $50, and $100 for the second offense.

For placing in any of the streams or waters of the Commonwealth any nitro-glycerine, dynamite, lime or any other poisonous or explosive substance for catching or destroying fish, penalty $50, imprisonment not less than 30 days nor more than one year.

For the catching of black bass or wall-eyed pike under six inches in length and for the catching of any and every fish taken between the first day of January and the 30th day of May, $10 for each and every offense.

For the catching of brook or other trout between the 15th day of July and the 15th day of April, $10 for each and every trout caught.

For catching any trout less than five inches in length, penalty $20

For the catching of any trout in any of the streams of this Commonwealth for a period of three years, in which trout have been placed by the State commission, penalty $50.

Gross--Montgomery.

On last Monday evening at five o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents in Austin, Mr. George H. Gross, of this place, and Miss Alice, the highly accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Montgomery, were united in marriage by the Rev. H. L. Gary, of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Harry Derby officiated as best man, and Miss Maggie Montgomery, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid.

At the close of the ceremony an elegant repast was served, after which the happy couple, amid a shower of rice and old shoes, departed on the 6:45 train for Emporium, where they will reside in the future.

Mr. Gross is one of Emporium's popular young men, having resided here all his life; while the bride is one of Austin's most refined young ladies and is held in high esteem by all who know her. The following persons were present at the wedding: Mr. and Mrs. Woster, Mr. and Mrs. James Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gary, Mrs. Frank W. Taylor, Miss Jennie Mills, Miss Mary Cambell, Misses Gertrude and Ada Bartron, Miss Maude Fee, and Mr. E. M. Coder.

Election and Smoker.

The Mountaineer Hose Company held their annual election Tuesday, evening and the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

President	W. S. Walker
Vice President	H. O. Haupt.
Secretary	F. C. Reick.
Treasurer	G. A. Walker, Jr.
Foreman	C. T. Logan.
First Ass't.	H. O. Haupt.
Second Ass't.	H. Day.
Delegate to State Convention	J. M. Davison.

When the order of business had been disposed of, the boys repaired to an adjoining room and partook of an appetizing repast, which had been prepared by Caterer Schmidt and his able assistant W. O. Downey. After the needs of the inner man had been fully attended to, the cigars were passed around and at a late hour the boys retired to their homes, satisfied that it had been an evening pleasantly spent.

Hand Bell Concert.

The Storey Family, late of London, England, will give one of their unique and interesting musical entertainments at the Baptist Church, Saturday evening, April 9th. The entertainment will consist of orchestral, vocal and instrumental solo selections, also the introduction of the hand bells; a collection of cathedral toned bells so keyed as to produce the best musical results. This troupe comes highly recommended and should have a full house. In order to accommodate those who desire to attend from the lower end of the county, the concert will begin at 7:30. Admission 25 cents.

Piano Tuner.

Prof. O. B. Hummel, the Piano and Organ Builder, of Lock Haven, Pa., will be here on his regular trip, the last of this month and will remain for two weeks. Pianos and organs repaired, no matter in what shape the instrument may be in. All work guaranteed first-class. Pianos sold on easy payments or for cash. Write O. B. Hummel, 318 Bellefonte avenue, Lock Haven, Pa., for prices and you will get the lowest. How is this, pianos from $65.00 to $1,800. Organs from $10.00 to $150.

Easter at the Presbyterian Church.

The Presbyterian Sabbath school will observe Easter at 11 o'clock, a. m. next Sabbath, with appropriate and interesting exercises, consisting of special music, responsive readings and recitations. The Church and Sabbath school choirs will also render music suitable to the occasion and a short sermon will be preached to the children. The regular Sabbath School session will be held at the close of these services. All are cordially invited.

New Chief.

At a special meeting of the Emporium Fire Department, held Tuesday evening, for the purpose of electing a Chief Engineer to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John J. Hinkle, Mr. J. B. Schriever was elected to fill the unexpired term. On motion, a standing vote of thanks was then extended to Mr. Hinkle for his faithful and efficient services as Chief of the Department during the past four years, after which the meeting adjourned.

New Outlet.

The Young Men's Business Club have a crew of men at work laying out a wagon road from Emporium to Bailey Run, a distance of about eight miles. The extensive lumber operations in that section, during the next few years, will give employment to several hundred men. Emporium will be greatly benefitted.

Message Withdrawn at the Last Minute!

THE AMERICANS IN HAVANA IN DANGER.

Consul General Lee Cables that to Declare Our Position Meant Trouble to Those on the Island--Will Take Until Sunday Next to Send all to a Place of Safety--The Message Will Probably Go in on Monday Next.

The war excitement seems to have been quieted by a report that the Queen Regent of Spain has dismissed her Cabinet and opened negotiations direct with Minister Woodford, conceding to this country every demand. Up to the hour of going to press, 11:00 a. m., we give the latest telegraph news in this column. So many reports are flying thick and fast.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Swift as a cannon's flash changed the Cuban situation to-day. The galleries of Congress were crowded. Senators and Representatives were anxious and agitated, even the diplomatic corps was in a ferment, awaiting a message from the President of the United States to the Congress of the American people that might mean war, when, with excitement at the very highest, an electric flash, the word passed that there would be no message to-day. Its suddenness stunned the public which heard the news in distorted forms, and amazed veteran members of Congress. Ultimately, it became known that not only would there be no message to-day, but no message this week, and that it was at least possible the message written and approved might never go to Congress at all.

THE REASONS FOR DELAY.

The first reason for the delay was that the administration received advices from General Lee, at Havana, indicating that all Americans could not be gotten off the island to-day and would be in grave peril if the message preceded their departure. The second reason and perhaps equally potent with the others, slowly drifted into public comprehension late in the day, chiefly through the medium of published Associated Press despatches from Madrid, for extreme reticence was maintained on the subject by the few in Washington who knew the facts—and even Cabinet officers were unadvised on the subject.

SPAIN IS WEAKENING.

This important news was that the Spanish government, after what plainly had been most exciting times in inner Spanish circles at Madrid, has decided to reopen the case closed, so far as this government was concerned, by the refusal of Spain to make satisfactory response to the representations made by the United States last week, and in order to avert impending war had decided to make concessions heretofore refused.

What will be the final outcome, it is too early to say, but the aspect of affairs is considerably more pacific and sufficient to renew the hope of the President in a solution of the Cuban question satisfactory to the American people and achieved without bloodshed. The details seem to be worked out, but it is expected that between now and Monday, a clearer light will be thrown on the future by action at Madrid, of which one important feature at least is the declaring of an armistice by the Queen Regent of Spain.

This armistice, it is said, will lead to ultimate independence of Cuba, from Spanish rule, but by what intermediate steps perhaps even the governing powers do not at this time know. Much it is supposed, will depend upon the Cuban insurgents and the people of two countries, of the United States and Spain.

Easter Flowers.

There will be a large assortment of cut flowers and plants for sale at M. M. Larrabee's store next Saturday, by Class No. 10, of the M. E. Sunday School.

The Correct Thing.

For an Easter breakfast is "Westphalia" brand mild sugar cured ham and boneless bacon, whole, 11c. lb. Baked, they are simply delicious—sweet, juicy, tender. We have them if you like, at 30c. lb. sliced, ready for table. DAY'S.

Mason Hill Letter.

It makes all the difference in the world whose ox is gored.

A number of young men from a distance attended church here on Sunday.

Supervisors Daugherty and Mix looked over this part of the road on Saturday.

C. W. Williams returned from Lock Haven on Friday with a fine span of horses.

Omer Ives and Willie Miller took in the sights at Medix Run the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Miller was called to Medix Run on Tuesday by the serious illness of relatives.

Miss Lelo Williams and Madge Miller, of Huston Hill, visited friends here the latter part of the week.

Mr. M. Hill moved his family to Sinnemahoning the fore part of the week. The house vacated by Mr. Hill will be occupied by Chas. Connors.

We are informed that Mr. O. B. Tanner, while coming from Huntley on Tuesday, on a "long tailed rattler" was severely hurt while getting off at Sterling.

Mose Carpenter in his communications to the Independent says, Geo. Huntley, Jr., is at his father's home on a visit. Mr. Huntley thinks it is very poor business for a scribe to defend a violator of the laws of God and humanity. Your smart correspondent thought he would come to his right mind after while.

A few more thoughts in regard to that "young man" mentioned a few weeks ago and I will stop. I based my article on the truth and only the truth and the truth has touched a tender spot in Mr English's armor. That young man was neither slandered or misrepresented beyond his own moral conduct and character, and if he was why don't Mr. English or the one accused, bring the slanderer to justice? We have laws if they were put in force and my name will be found at the bottom of that article at the PRESS office. He said he was very much surprised when he saw the article not having heard of any such racket. It makes no difference whether he heard it or not it happened just the same. Some people can be awful deaf when they want to be. Joe L. Farley while going over to Russell's heard the racket at Bailey's lane (a distance of ninety rods from the school house) and stopped to see what was the matter, saw the accused and went on about his business, like any young man of common sense and good breeding would do. Mr. English also says when he saw the item he took steps to seek the truth. If he had been what he advertises himself to be, he would not have run the gauntlet on Sunday last, looking for evidence, for no names were mentioned in my article. I said for the benefit of the community I would not mention his name. It makes no difference how mean a person is there is always lots of people to uphold them in their meanness As for Walter Barr being present, so was I; we were both connected with the entertainment. In an interview with Walter on the subject, he said he told the truth and asks "why Mr. English didn't publish all he told him?" The trouble is, English picked out the part he wanted and threw the rest aside. Admitting that there was a little confusion in the school room, yet, if the accused had been where he should have been (home) everything would have been quiet in the house, and as for telling lies, Mr. English, (as a class-leader in the church) had better see that his own windows are well barred before throwstones at his neighbors who, although, never wore the necklace of truth, yet, has a good moral standing in the eyes of the people as he has. Now with a brief summary I will stop, but if Mr. English continues with his self-vindication in this scrape I deem I'll make it "hot" 'nough for him. Now Mr. editor, or gentle reader, if you think I am telling anything else but the truth I would simply refer you to Miss Summerson who will tell you the same as I have told; and more, as I have forgot to mention anything about the incidents that happened the night the shutters were lifted off the hinges and the teacher struck in the eye with a snow ball.

April 4th. DING.

[This controversy is of no interest to the general public and since both sides have had their say, we must decline to publish any more articles upon the matter. It can result in no good. Let it drop.]—EDITOR.

Chicken and Waffle Supper.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will serve their annual chicken and waffle supper, at the homes of I. K. Hockley and J. B. Schriever, on Thursday, April 14th, 1898, between the hours of 5:00 p. m., and 2:00 the following morning. Supper, 25c. 5-3t

Interest Paying Society of the M. E. church will meet in the church parlors on Friday at 2:00 p. m. Sewing will be done and such business transacted as to demand the presence of all the members. SECRETARY.

Boy's suits from $2.00 up. A full line and large assortment. Boys' suits ranging up to 19 years, from $5.00 up. N. SEGER.

Painting Lessons.

Mrs. E. O. Bardwell is prepared to give lessons in painting to any who may wish such lessons, at very reasonable rates. 3-3t

Pure Bred.

Cornish Indian Game, Golden Wyandottes and S. C. Brown Leghorns' eggs $1.00 for fifteen.

Emporium, Pa.—2-3m I. F. OSTRUM.

Pressed Bricks.

March weather in April.

Howard & Co. are erecting an addition to their store.

Men's all wool suits, from $5.00 up. Very fine line. N. SEGER.

The Commencement exercises of the public schools take place May fifth.

California Navel Oranges 20 to 30c per dozen. Sweet and juicy. DAY'S.

The Governor has named April 8th and April 22d, as Spring Arbor days.

Silk lined, French facing, men's suits, the very latest styles, at $11.00. N. SEGER.

Fulton & Pearsall have been awarded the contract of painting the county bridges.

The Emporium Tannery Co. is erecting a brick engine house, in which to store the new yard engine.

Beautiful Juvenile suits from $2 00 up, at N. Seger's. Call and see the large assortment. N. SEGER.

Dennis O'Connell, who has worked in the lumber woods in this section for years, died at Williamsport some time ago, of quick consumption.

Watch our market for material for your Easter dinner. Weather uncertain, can't tell just what will be in. Rest assured we will have all the market affords. DAY'S.

About fifteen Emporium Masons paid Olean lodge a visit on Tuesday evening. The boys report a very enjoyable visit and were royally entertained.

An exchange very truthfully remarks: "Everybody reads newspapers but everybody does not read circulars, no matter how well prepared and attractive they may be."

John J. Soble is now in the city purchasing his new goods—many of his purchases having already arrived. He will have all his goods in place this week. Call and see them.

A young man in West Virginia by the name of John Damm was married recently and received a telegram from the old folks at home which read: "Accept congratulations of the whole Damm family."

"Old Dan," C. B. Howard & Co.'s railroad engine feels lonesome upon returning home and finding its wife—the tannery yard dinkey—gone up in smoke, so says one of our bright little Fifth street lads.

Work continues at Junior Park and it will not be long before Mr. Josiah Howard will be ready for the bicycle track. After a little time this park will be greatly appreciated by our people and hugely enjoyed by the children.

Receiver Rogers of the defunct E. A. U., says that thus far he has distributed 800 checks and paid out $80,000. He has but $400 left in his possession, and that is due members who have not yet been found. They are probably dead; got tired waiting.—Warren Mail.

There is a strong sentiment throughout the entire state that the nomination of C. W Stone as the Republican candidate for Governor, would harmonize all elements of the party and result in a Republican victory of large proportions in Pennsylvania next November. —Franklin Citizen Press.

Did it ever occur to you that many more old women than men live alone? An old man is forced to go and live with his children when his wife dies, but an old woman will live alone as long as she has strength left to put a pan on the fire and break an egg in it, and seem to be very contented.

R. Seger & Son's handsome store windows attract the attention of all passers-by. The beautiful display of furnishings as well as the Easter flowers and plants are the handiwork of the junior member of the firm, Mr. Wm. T. Seger, whose taste for that line of work receives many flattering compliments.

Schools closed, diphtheria epidemic, no public meetings—such reports are never heard where the people use Armstrong's Diphtheria and Quinsy Drops. It cures the most serious throat disease or the slightest soreness. I have a few 10c. bottles, come and get one while they last, it is worth trying. R. C. Dodson. 6-ly

At the Republican convention at Emporium last week, Tuesday, Benjamin W. Green, Esq., was unanimously nominated as Cameron's candidate for President Judge of the district, which is the Twenty-fifth and is composed of the counties of Clinton, Cameron and Elk. Mr. Green is a native of Sullivan township in this county, a graduate of the Mansfield Normal school and a leading member of the Cameron county bar.—Wellsboro Agitator.

University Association.

The University Association was adjourned at the last meeting (March 29) to April 18. The program for that evening will be the one originally appointed for April 4, viz: Sections 13-18 in the 6th Syllabus.

MARY ROBINSON, Sec'y.

Emmanuel Church.

Good Friday: 10:30 a. m., Morning Prayer and Litany; 7:30 p. m., Evening Prayer, (Choir).

Easter Day: 7:30 a. m., Holy Communion; 11:00 a. m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Cruikshank' Service, Earnby's "Awake Up My Glory." 7:20 p. m, Evening Prayer and Sunday School Festival. The Mite-box offering will be presented at this service.

Easter Monday, 7:30 p. m., Evening Prayer; annual Parish meeting for the election of Vestrymen immediately after.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Evening Prayer.

J. M. ROBERTSON, Rector.

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The Job department of the PRESS is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work. PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO LAW PRINTING.

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Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance.

The recent deadly fire in Chicago, when two elevator men kept the elevators carrying living freight to safety while the flames crackled all about, is another illustration of the bravery that is so ingrained in American humanity that it only needs the occasion to be manifested.

Candles, candles everywhere. That is the lighting custom in Sweden, where one firm turns out for home use annually about 21,000,000 of candles of all sizes, from two to seven feet in length. In the larger cities electricity has been introduced to a limited extent, but among the people candles are as much as ever a necessary household convenience.

Arbitration will probably settle that Alaska boundary question between the United States and Great Britain. In the century and a little over the nation's existence the United States has had more than a dozen exciting controversies with England, but in only one instance did war result. There will be no conflict in this case. Both countries want peace.

Dr. Willis E. Everett, of Tacoma, Wash., chemist and expert in the treatment of ores, ended 70 years of experimenting with the statement that under great heat, accompanied by explosions, he had produced gold, silver, nickel and copper from a combination of chemically pure sulphur, sodium oxide, antimony, iron, lead, oxide and carbon, with lime, silica and alumina.

Though 30 years have passed since Maximilian was shot in Mexico his brother, the emperor of Austria, always holds memorial services on June 19, the anniversary of that tragic event. At the castle of Miramar, near Trieste, on the Adriatic, the rooms occupied by Archduke Maximilian before leaving for the new world are kept, by the emperor's orders, just as his brother left them when he went to his death.

Some enterprising Maine men are doing their best to allay the fears expressed in some quarters that the supply of gold is becoming insufficient for the world's uses. They have been engaged in obtaining the precious metal from salt water and believe they have succeeded. Like many another alleged discovery, this is "important if true." If gold can really be obtained in paying quantities from the water of the ocean the question of supply is settled for all time.

So much interest is at present being manifested in the United States army and navy that the relative rank of officers in the two branches of service is herewith given, lineal rank only being considered: General with admiral, lieutenant general with vice admiral, major general with rear admiral, brigadier general with commodore, colonel with captain, lieutenant colonel with commander, major with lieutenant commander, captain with lieutenant, first lieutenant with lieutenant (junior grade), second lieutenant with ensign.

The attorney-general of Colorado has furnished an opinion that there is no law for women in that state dropping their maiden name on the simple excuse of a wedding. The question calling for the decision came from a woman notary public who was recently married. She asked under what name she should continue to exist officially, and was gratified with the announcement that she must sign all documents as before marriage, for, the attorney-general says, "there is no authority for a change of name at marriage or any other time."

The passing away of Sir Henry Bessemer has recalled the history of his great invention and its effect upon industries of the world. The production of steel in Great Britain increased many fold and there was a great reduction in the cost of manufacture. In cheapening steel the Bessemer invention has cheapened steel rails, engines, locomotives, bridges and all the factors of transportation. It has also created a new influence in civilization, and inaugurated changes of importance that have added greatly to the comforts and luxuries of life.

H. O. Weaver, of the United States commission of fish and fisheries, has sent a report to Wisconsin fishermen on the fisheries of Lakes Michigan, Huron and Erie. He says that the herring catch of Lake Michigan for the last year was over 22,000,000 pounds. This greatly exceeds the production of any previous year covered by the commission's reports, and for the first time in the history of the great lakes surpasses the herring catch on Lake Erie, where the yield was slightly under 20,000,000 pounds. The trout catch has been light the past season.

HANNA ANSWERS HIS CRITICS.

The Ohio Statesman Defends Himself from Traitorous Attacks.

Almost every charge that malice can inspire and conscienceless ingenuity construct has been made against Senator Hanna by papers opposed to him in politics. Since the question of Cuban intervention has been under consideration by President McKinley these papers have persistently asserted that Senator Hanna has influenced the policy of the administration in the interest of Wall street stock speculators, including himself as one, and that he favored the settlement of the Cuban question upon a financial basis at the sacrifice of national honor.

Knowing the political motives which inspired these charges, Senator Hanna ignored them. Of late, however, they have been reiterated by papers of the same party to which the senator belongs, notably the Chicago Tribune, and these latter have elicited a reply, which, while referring particularly to the course of the Tribune, applies as well to all the papers which have misrepresented him by false accusations. Senator Hanna's reply to his critics is herewith given in full:

"So long as the attacks on me were confined to opposition papers," said Senator Hanna, "I did not care to pay any attention to them, because I looked upon the stories as purely political schemes. I feel, however, when a paper of the dignity and standing of the Chicago Tribune gives currency to such reports, possibly because I have failed to deny them, it is time for me to make an explicit statement as regards my position in the Cuban matter.

"First of all, I want to say that I am not a stock speculator. I never bought or sold a share of stock in Wall street. I do not to-day own a single share of stock in any railroad or commercial enterprise except those with which my name has been publicly identified and in which I have made investments. This being the case, I have no personal interest in a settlement of the Cuban question in any way except for the honor of the United States.

"I have never urged the president of the United States to settle the Cuban question on any financial basis whatsoever, nor have I indorsed any such proposition to him or to anyone else. I have been in favor of an exceedingly conservative course in regard to Cuba, somewhat on the principle that charity begins at home, but I can say positively that I have never been influenced by any financial consideration, either personally or for my friends and political associates.

"I do not believe in buying Cuba, and I am not and never have been interested in any syndicate for that purpose. I have frequently urged the president to be cautious in his movements and not to interfere with the affairs of a foreign nation until he had demonstrated the necessity of such action.

"So far as I know the president has never seriously considered settling the Cuban question on a money basis, and if he has ever done so it has not been at my suggestion. I have advised with him as a friend and as a senator, but I have endeavored not to go beyond that. I can deny in the most sweeping manner the stories which originated in rabid democratic papers that I was using my influence to delay action in regard to Cuba in the interest of alleged financial organizations. I am sorry that these stories have been taken up by the republican press, and I hope the Tribune will accept my denial in the spirit in which it is offered.

"I have differed with the Tribune as to the necessity for immediate action in the past, but this is a matter of opinion only, and I feel that my motives are beyond suspicion. I do not care for the views of my political enemies, but I am regardful of the opinions of my friends, and the Chicago Tribune's position as a great republican newspaper entitles it to this statement from me."

This is a denial which denies. It not only exonerates the senator by showing the untruthful character of the attacks upon him, but it is the best proof, aside from an official statement by the executive himself, that the president has not been influenced in the settlement of the Cuban question by any considerations other than those of humanity and national honor.

The attacks which have been made upon Senator Hanna have been in reality attacks upon President McKinley. It has been the favorite method of those who could find no reason for a direct attack to strike at the president over the shoulders of the senator from Ohio. That style of warfare is on a par with the Spanish method of a stab in the dark or from behind.

Whether or not Senator Hanna's reply will silence his slanderous critics, it nevertheless will render them harmless. —Chicago Times-Herald.

Now They Are Mum.

The silver combine is not quoting Dun's and Bradstreet's to the farmers as much just now as it was in 1896. Then its representatives spoke in the highest terms of these publications and quoted them constantly to show the fall in prices. Now they carefully avoid them, for their statistics show a remarkable rise in the value of all farm products since the date of the adoption of the Chicago platform and the equally remarkable fall in the price of silver meantime. Tables just published by Bradstreet's, comparing prices of farm products on March 1, 1898, with those of July 1, 1896, show that in practically every article there has been an advance of from 15 to 50 per cent., while silver has fallen nearly as rapidly as the other articles have advanced. Silver was then within a fraction of 70 cents an ounce at the date of the adoption of the Chicago platform, and is now but a fraction above 54 cents per ounce. Yet farm products have risen meantime, and since practically all production in this line is included in the advance, it cannot be claimed that the general rise is due to "shortage abroad."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

☞William McKinley has been tried in the crucible of a great national crisis and the result brings forth a statesman and an American. The president has shown in his handling of the De Lome letter, the Maine incident, and other delicate questions, that he is a representative of the great nation that elevated him to its head. While doing all that was consistent with honor to avert plunging his country into war, he has quietly prepared for the inevitable, and when the moment shall come for the word to be spoken it will be found that the government is ready to make it good.—Peoria Herald (Dem.).

A REPUBLICAN YEAR.

Growth of Business, Decrease of Failures and Fewer Idle Men.

The year which has passed since the republican party has gained control of the government has been notable in many respects. It saw a controversy with Japan over the question of Hawaiian annexation, which at one time promised to be embarrassing, but which was soon settled to the satisfaction of both parties. It has seen the Cuban question reach a stage which threatened, and which still threatens, trouble between the United States and Spain. The Cuban issue was handed over to this administration from its predecessor, but the situation in several respects has changed. Spain has been forced to withdraw Weyler and to abandon, so far as she could in the interval which has passed since his recall, the more barbarous features of his concentration policy. She has also been constrained to offer the Cubans home rule. These improvements in Cuban conditions were forced by pressure from the present administration, and it will continue the work until it causes her to relinquish her hold on the island.

In the country's domestic affairs the record has been exceedingly creditable. The Pacific railroads have been disposed of in a way in which the people's interests were amply protected. A tariff bill was enacted early in the administration which has made a steady increase in the revenues ever since it went into operation. In the month ended a few days ago it furnished a surplus over disbursements. Probably in most of the months hereafter, unless war comes, there will be surpluses. The treasury gold is constantly increasing. When the fiscal year began the net gold in the treasury was about $140,000,000, while to-day it is close to $168,000,000. In the preceding administration $202,000,000 of bonds were sold to buy gold, and the country's interest-bearing debt was increased to that extent. The gold fund has recently been so high that it has been embarrassing to the government. The government would rather sell gold now than buy it.

There has been a striking improvement in the business field in the past year. The balance of trade in the country's favor has been larger recently than it ever was in the past. Gold is coming into the country notwithstanding the immense stock of it which is on hand. The banks have as great a plethora of that metal as the treasury, and the tendency in both is toward larger and larger hoards. Bank clearings are making new records. Those for February, 1898, were smaller than they were for the longer month of January, but they were 51 per cent. in excess of those of February last year, the month before the present administration came into power, and they were 6.4 per cent. greater than in February, 1892, which was the largest previous record for that month. Railroad earnings are at the highest figures ever touched, and here, too, the drift is still upward. Iron production is breaking all records. Coincidently with the great growth in business which these figures reveal there is a falling off in the number of business failures. All the country's productive energies are at a high stage of activity. The number of idle men in the country is smaller than it has been in many years. In every field, political, financial and industrial, the first year of republican sway has brought striking changes and improvements.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

☞The offset to yellow journalism, so-called, is the silver-plated journalism of the far west, a wretched dead-alive condition whose sixteen to one shouts are varied between times with denunciations of the administration in the present crisis. Any kind of journalism is preferable to the latter kind.—Philadelphia Press.

☞Treasury receipts, which averaged over $1,000,000 a day in February, are likely to be considerably heavier than that in March. The first ten days in March produced $11,000,000 of revenue, and it is probable that the month will show receipts higher than those of any March since the repeal of the McKinley law.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

☞Spring business seems to be opening well throughout the country. This might have been expected as the natural result in a land which has been doing so great an export trade and, under favorable administrative conditions, reopening workshops that had suffered from depression. The United States has wealth and enterprise. With a restored confidence nothing is lacking. And fortune always favors the brave.—Troy Times.

☞Mr. Bryan says that congress should have made it $100,000,000 instead of $50,000,000. That shows Mr. Bryan's heart is all right for Cuba. But if we had free silver dollars instead of gold standard dollars now we would have to appropriate $125,000,000 nearly in order to make the value of the present $50,000,000. When it comes to buying war materials and even wheat, Uncle Sam has to pay in gold which is the money of the world.—Iowa State Register.

☞The popocratic pirates in Kentucky who have saddled their state with a force bill to enable them to hang on to power irrespective of the number of votes which they may get, are betraying a fear of the people which is ominous for them and for their party throughout the country. They concede that the majority will be against them in the coming elections, and that they will have no chance to hold their own in a square canvass. This is a fatal confession. A party which makes this confession proclaims its own unworthiness, and, in a democratic country, prepares for itself a crushing defeat which no election machinery that rascality can devise will be able to avert.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

WOMEN AND THE WHEEL.

From the Gazette, Delaware, Ohio.

The healthfulness of bicycle riding for women is still a disputed question between eminent physicians and health reformers. Used in moderation it surely creates for women a means of out-door exercise, the benefit of which all physicians concede. Used to excess, like any other pastime, its effect is likely to be dangerous.

The experience of Miss Bertha Reed, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. J. R. Reed, 335 Lake St., Delaware, Ohio, may point a moral for parents who, like Mr. and Mrs. Reed, have experienced some concern for their daughters who are fond of wheeling. In the fall of '96 Miss Bertha, who had ridden a great deal, began to fail in an alarming manner. She grew steadily paler and thinner, and it appeared she was going into consumption. Rest and quiet did her absolutely no good. A physician found her pulse at 104—a very high rate. Thinking this may have been due to temporary nervousness when he examined her, he watched her closely, but her pulse continued at that rate for two weeks. He was satisfied then, from her high pulse and steadily wasting condition that she was suffering from anaemia or a bloodless condition of the body. She became extremely weak, and could not stand the least noise or excitement. In this condition of affairs they were recommended by an old friend to get some of that famous blood medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They did so, and almost from the first dose Bertha began to improve. She continued to take the pills and was by means of those pills made entirely well, and more grateful people than her parents cannot be found in the whole State of Ohio.

She Rides Well.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have proved a boon to womankind. Acting directly on the blood and nerves, they restore the requisite vitality to all parts of the body; creating functional regularity and perfect harmony throughout the nervous system. The pallor of the cheeks is changed to the delicate blush of health; the eyes brighten; the muscles grow elastic, ambition is created and good health returns.

A CURE FOR FOOLISHNESS.

How Buffon's Family Got Him to Resign from the Buckers and Kickers.

Buffon is rich and proud. He comes of a good old family and is a recognized society leader of Detroit. He, with some of his swell bachelor friends, organized the "Buckers and Kickers," of which he was made grand high contortionist. The order had no object but fun, yet it maintained a show of mysticism and announced its meetings in a way to arouse general curiosity.

Buffon went east for a rest and change. His immediate family and friends did not like his belonging to a fraternity with such a name and such doubtful aims. They saw an opening and proceeded to get even. The first day at a New York hotel he received a dozen letters, and on the envelope of each, in big type, was his name and his title as grand high contortionist, followed by the address to which the letter was to be returned if not called for. The clerk noticed it, and others who were getting their mail could not but see what was as plain as a hand bill. He was indignant at this use of his official envelope, and indignation became explosiveness when a Gotham theatrical manager called on him, asked if he belonged to the "perfesh," and if he were open to engagements.

Buffon fired a hot letter home, bearing an immediate delivery stamp. He informed the folks that it was in the worst taste to send private correspondence in a business envelope. He wanted no more of it. It had cost him a great annoyance and he was going to change his hotel at once. But that "grand high contortionist" pursued him like an avenger until he returned home, raked all his relatives over the coals, resigned from the Buckers and Kickers and made a bonfire of the stationery which he held as grand high contortionist.—Detroit Free Press.

Reading Aloud is Beneficial.

Reading aloud is a beautiful practice in the home circle, and medical authorities agree that it is a most invigorating exercise. Persons who have a tendency to pulmonary disease should methodically read aloud at stated intervals, and even recite or sing, using due caution as to posture, articulation and avoidance of excess. Here is where our scientific professors of vocal culture, in elocution and song, should find immense service in the establishment and development of health as well as in the ravishment of sweet sounds.—Boston Herald.

Twinges.

Mrs. Day—The doctor ordered your husband whisky for rheumatism. Does it do him any good?

Mrs. May—He says it does him a world of good, but I notice the twinges come upon him more frequently than ever.—Boston Traveler.

A profitable religion never wanted prosely tes.—Ital.

A pebble and a diamond are alike to a blind man.

The family with but one boy in it may be thankful if he amounts to anything at all.—Washington Democrat.

Overworked.—"I think I shall have to discharge my office boy." "What's the matter with him?" "All there is for him to do at the office is to tear off the sheets once a month from the calendars hanging on the wall, and when he tore them off on the first day of March, he kicked because February was such a short month."—Chicago Tribune.

Some people even think they concede a great deal if they allow others to think as they please.—Washington Democrat.

When a man is not on terms with himself, he is not on terms with anything. The disaster is not a single one. He shows it in everything; and much of his conduct, his treatment of others, his opinions, mysterious as they may seem, are but the inevitable outcroppings of his self-disturbance.—J. F. W. Ware.

Declined to Run.—"What are my chances for reelection?" asked the state senator. "You haven't any," replied his lieutenant. "Are you sure of that?" "Positive." "Then, will you kindly convey the information to the press that my private business has become so pressing that, in justice to myself and family, I feel that I can no longer afford to neglect it? Consequently, I shall positively refuse to accept a reelection under any circumstances."—Chicago Evening Post.

The nobler the character, the larger and deeper its friendships will be, the more natures it will enter into and illumine.—Lucy Larcom.

The end of pleasure is to support the offices of life, to relieve the fatigues of business, to reward a regular action and to encourage the continuance.—Jeremy Collier.

You may say what you please about the fairness of the people, and their desire to do right, and their patience, but the fact remains that a rumor of war is as popular as a juicy piece of gossip.—Atchison Globe.

Sunday is the golden clasp that binds together the volume of the week.—Longfellow.

NO RELIGION ABOUT FISH.

The Names of Several Are Used as Term of Opprobrium—Skates, for Instance.

"Didn't it ever strike you that it's highly inconsistent to associate fish with Lent, as the church does, Mrs. Grumpus?" said Mr. Grumpus at the breakfast table, as he picked dubiously into the suburbs of his fish cake with one tine of his fork. Mr. Grumpus' appetite had been sufficiently gratified at the club the previous night to make him a trifle critical.

"What put that ridiculous notion into your head?" inquired Mrs. Grumpus, with one eyebrow lifted in a suspicious and inquiring way.

"Take that popular expression: 'You're a lobster,'" continued Mr. Grumpus. "Not that you are a lobster—"

"Oh, let remain, 'You're a lobster,' said Mrs. Grumpus, cheerfully.

"Mariar, don't trifle. Lobster, now, is a term of reproach. That's one instance of the way the finny world is resorted to for an expression of censure. Another old phrase is 'as dumb as an oyster.' The very dumbest thing on earth or in the waters under the earth, Mariar, is an oyster. It's the very opposite of a woman, you know, ha, ha. That's one on you, eh, Mariar? Remember that other old term showing how a man looks to the scaly world when he wants a simile or a metaphor indicating contempt—I mean it is still common to call a bad lawyer a 'land shark.' Why, I could prove how low down fish are by a number of examples, and yet fish are associated with the most religious part of the year."

"John?"

"Yes."

"Is there such a fish as a skate?"

"Why—er—yes. I believe there is."

"Is it ever used by men as a simile or a metaphor in describing other men—sometimes?"

"You don't mean to be personal, Mrs. Grumpus?"

"Well, John, if I were a man I'd say: 'That's one on you'—and now we are even."

Mr. Grumpus grinned and ate his fish cake like a man, although it had grown cold.—N. Y. Sun.

He Didn't Want the Route.

"Senator Sulloway, of New Hampshire, tells a good one when he gets warmed on the civil service question," said one of the statesmen who came to help the Michigan club celebrate Washington's birthday. "Somewhere in the south a bright colored boy appeared before the commission to be examined for the position of letter carrier.

"How far is it from the earth to the moon?" was the first question asked by those who were to determine the young man's fitness for the place he sought.

"'How fah am it from de earf to de moon?' echoed the applicant. 'My Lawd, boss, if you's gwine to put me on dat route I don't want de job.'

"With that the young man grabbed his hat and left as though he were chased."—Detroit Free Press.

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Evidence.

She—Wasn't John Calvin a married man? He—He must have been. Didn't he reject the doctrine of free will?—Puck.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

An Atchison boy has such a wonderful memory in relating every old joke that he ever heard that his family is thinking of making a public lecturer of him.—Atchison Globe.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has no equal as a Cough medicine.—F. M. Abbott, 383 Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y., May 9, 1894.

A mouthful of meat may be a townful of shame.

Gentle treatment. St. Jacobs Oil soothes Neuralgia and cures it. It fades away.

A woman with a wart on her neck looks better with high-necked gowns.—Washington Democrat.

Crutches and cruel pains from Sciatica. From St. Jacobs Oil the cure of it.

"A word to the wise is sufficient!" Possibly—but the man must be mighty wise and the word mighty sharp.—Rural New Yorker.

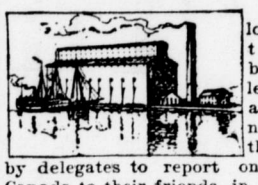
Don't snap in two. Limber up. St. Jacobs Oil will cure lumbago sure.

Let a big fish shave off his mustache and all the little fish follow suit.—Washington Democrat.

How to cure Rheumatism? Use St. Jacobs Oil. It subdues. It cures.

Lots of men have college diplomas hanging in their parlors and weeds growing in their gardens.—Washington Democrat.

Reports of Delegates Who Have Visited Western Canada.



The following letters have been selected from a large number of those sent by delegates to report on Western Canada to their friends in Michigan, and as a result of which hundreds of people expect to leave this spring for the Free Grant Lands of Western Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 10, 1897.

Mr. M. V. McInnes, Chief Colonization Agent, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir: We are pleased to state to you that we have found the country in the vicinity of Alameda fully up to what you and Mr. Keller had represented it to be. It is in fact an ideal location for mixed farming. The soil is the best we ever saw, and as the farmers were all busy at threshing, we had an excellent chance to see its productive quality, which cannot be surpassed anywhere. The cattle could not be in better condition. We saw two-year-old steers equal to three-year-olds raised in most places, and these, as all others are about Alameda, were fed on native hay in winter and herded in summer. As we had previous to this visited the Northwestern States in behalf of a large number of farmers, to locate suitable land for mixed farming, we are now in a position to say that the Alameda district of Western Canada surpasses them all. The country is equal to that about Thuringen in Germany. We were rather skeptic before starting, and our intention was to settle in spring, if we were suited, but we have now decided to move at once—that is, as early this fall as we possibly can. We left Mr. Riedel at Alameda, and take back his report, and we will take his family and effects with us when we go. Yours sincerely,

(Signed) ALBERT MAI,
FRED GOTTOWSKI.

Alameda, N. W. T., Aug. 31, 1897.

Dear Friends of Saginaw:

Those desiring to secure a good and sure home will do well to take our advice and examine the land in the neighborhood of Alameda, as we know that everyone who sees this land will be agreeably surprised. Before seeing this land we were partly in doubt as to moving here, but after looking it over we at once decided to make our home here, and we beg those of our friends who are desirous of securing farms not to let this chance slip by, as the soil is of the best and the water cannot be excelled. The finest wheat we ever saw is also raised here.

We shall return home in haste, straighten out our affairs and move here at once. Yours truly,

(Signed) WILLIAM GOTTOWSKI,
ALBERT MAI,
WILLIAM RIEDEL,
(of Saginaw.)

Ludington, Mich., Nov. 1, 1897.

M. V. McInnes, Esq., Colonization Agent, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir: We have just returned from the West, and were exceedingly well pleased with the country. We are going back to take up our homesteads in early spring. We received $35.00 per month and board, working for farmers, and the board was the best we ever had—the beef and mutton especially were excellent. The fine flavor is owing to the fine grasses which the cattle and sheep feed upon. The people are very hospitable and treat their hired help with much kindness.

The grain is much heavier than here, wheat being 62 lbs. to the bushel, oats 48 lbs. and barley often 55 lbs.

Any man with a good team and money enough to buy provisions and seed for six months can become rich there in five years. Many people who arrived there five years ago with little or nothing are well off now. One man I met held his wheat from last year and was offered $16,000 for this year's crop and what he had held over from last year, and is holding it at $1.00 per bushel. We are going back in the spring to work for this same farmer until seeding, after which we will homestead between seeding and harvest. We think we will settle on the Manitoba & Northwestern R. R.

You can refer anyone to us for this part of the country while we are here and we will cheerfully answer any questions which anyone may wish to ask. Yours truly,

(Signed) CHAS. HAWLEY,
JOSEPH DOLA.

Talking of weather signs, it is fair to suppose that, when allspice is adulterated with cocoanut shells, the season will be mild.—Rural New Yorker.

Time counts, health gains. A quick, sure Cure—St. Jacobs Oil for sprains.

Married women think every unmarried woman must have a history.—Washington Democrat.

Better times come to all cured of aches And pains by St. Jacobs Oil.

A moneyless man goes fast through the market.

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is a good thing to be rid of, because bad blood is the breeding place of disfiguring and dangerous diseases. Is YOUR blood bad? You can have good blood, which is pure blood, if you want it. You can be rid of pimples, boils, blotches, sores and ulcers. How? By the use of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the radical remedy for all diseases originating in the blood.

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AN EASTER SONG

EVERY face is beaming,
Every step is light,
All the world is beautiful
From merry morn till night.
The little streams are dancing
And flashing, just for fun,
And joyfully to meet the sea,
The mighty rivers run.

And twice ten thousand flowers,
And twice ten thousand more.
Are waking in the lonesome woods
And by the cottage door.
To count the Easter lilies
Is more than you or I
Can hope to do the long day through
How hard soe'er we try.

Every face is beaming,
Every step is light,
For o'er the threshold Easter slipped
At waning of the night,
And little birds are singing
Like mad for joy of life,
And all the hours, in sun and showers,
With brimming joy are rife.

Uplift the songs of Easter,
Let none to-day be still,
When this great world is like a cup
That flowers overfill,
When blossoms deck the orchard,
And boughs are pink and white,
And winds go by, like wings that fly,
From merry morn till night.

—Margaret E. Sangster, in Youth's Companion.

TWO EASTER BONNETS

"OH, HENRY," said Mr. Montague's wife, as she came from the dining-room and quietly removed the paper he was reading from his hands "how long have you carried this letter in your pocket?"

"What letter?—that?—why, it only came yesterday. You can see the date that is stamped upon the envelope."

"Well, I didn't know. You are very careless—you know you are. That letter that came from aunty—"

"What about this other?" he skillfully interrupted. "It's from Jack, I see." He reached for his paper with a movement at once diplomatic and tentative.

"That's exactly what I came to tell you about. It's very thoughtful of him, I know, but—well, we'll see what you think. He writes," she said, consulting the letter, "'I met your one-time admirer—' No, that isn't the part. Here it is, 'Mumbly, dear, I've got a scheme that's top notch. I want you to let me get you an Easter bonnet, here in the city. Some stunners in the shops—knock the spots off anything you can get in Mayfield. It begins to look as if I won't be able to get away from the college, and I'd like to have some sort of a share in the festive season there at home. Leave it to me, won't you, Mumbly?—and I'll rig you out on time in a crystalized dream.'

"First, what does he mean by knocking off the spots?'" she inquired. "I suppose that's just an expression of his, however. Now, what do you think?"

"I think it is," said Henry, who was looking furtively at his paper; "I guess that's it."

"Henry Montague, you haven't heard a word." She took the paper and put it behind her. "I meant what do you think of his plan?"

"Good scheme. Best I've heard of. Let him get the contraption there by all means. There—I refer to the bonnet, Fanny—don't feel hurt. I know they have some—well, some very unusual effects in the city. I think perhaps you'd avoid unpleasant complications, and have something new to Mayfield to wear. Yes, let him do it." And he reached for his paper—and failed to get it.

"I believe I will. Of course, I always like to select, but I said last year that I'd never, never trade at Miss Le Fevre's again. Just to think that her miserable mismanagement should have parted two such friends—but I was surprised at Helen—at Mrs. Kapulette—to think she'd wear a bonnet that she must have known was mine, or at least not the one she had ordered."

"Did—you—wear—hers?" said he, with an imitation yawn.

"Why, of course! Now, what a question! I had to wear something—I couldn't order another one then. Henry, you are positively foolish at times. I remember I said to Miss Le Fevre, when I picked it out—"

"Yes, I remember the story," interrupted her husband, consulting his watch and starting to arise.

"Well," said she, as she pushed him back gently to his seat, "you always forget that lavender and pink are positively hideous on me, and why in the world Hel—Mrs. Kapulette—couldn't have managed to send my bonnet home when she found the mistake had been made—"

"Did she know it was yours?" asked Henry, beginning to be rather more insidiously sarcastic than enthusiastic about this oft-repeated tale; "did she go along when you gave the order?"

"No; you know she didn't! I meant to give her a pleasant surprise—and that was her way of receiving my effort. Your questions are childish, Henry. She might have guessed that 'canary' was exactly my color—precisely what anyone with my taste and complexion would be sure to select—and Miss Le Fevre's girl—"

"There—there's Billings out at the gate. Good-by, my dear. Give Jack my love when you write—sorry he can't be up for Easter. Good-by." Mr. Montague clapped his hat on his head, saluted his wife, made a grab for his cane and departed.

Then Mrs. Montague sat down to think of the trials of that time, a little less than a year before. There never had been in the world, she thought, such a long and beautiful friendship as that between herself and Helen Kapulette. To think that after having gone to the same identical school together—the best of chums—they were married the very same day—to travel in separate directions later, to be sure—and both had moved to Mayfield at last to live. Mrs. Montague recalled every detail of her order for that fatal Easter bonnet; exactly that delicate shade of yellow, and what the trimmings were—and everything. Then the changes she had ordered; the exasperating slowness and stupidity of Miss Le Fevre; the crazed despair, when, that Saturday night she returned so late from calling with Helen, to find that her bonnet had not yet arrived. And then that awful time on Easter morning, before the girl came weakly up the steps and handed in—the wrong bonnet—a bonnet she had never seen before—a horrid nightmare of a thing in lavender and pink, which she had to wear or stay at home—new blue silk and all.

She wouldn't have believed that Helen could have worn her own very bonnet—and with veiling over the yellow at that—and then be so hateful. She wondered vaguely if they ever would speak to each other again. No, she didn't believe they would; she didn't believe that Helen was half so ready to forget and forgive as she. Well, she would just let Jack get the bonnet in the city this year, and let the people of Mayfield stare if they wished.

So at length she arose and went to her desk to write to her grown-up "boy."

In the course of time, and several days before Easter, the bonnet from the great metropolis arrived along with a note from Jack deploring the fact that he could not have carried it home in person. It was really a jewel, a dainty creation of airy, graceful feathers on a moss-green frame and subdued with violets that were poised with an exquisite grace, where they nodded and smiled and seemed to be tossing the sweetest of perfume kisses to all who were gracious enough to behold.

But Easter morning! Ah, how it brightly outjeweled all others of the year. The sun shone warmly from a flawless sky of turquoise hue; the trees wore freshest, fairest emerald leaves, or pearl and ruby blossoms; the grass was asparkle with diamond dew, and the birds were chorusing in anthems as clear and sweet as the crystal tinkle, tinkle rung from pebbles by the brook.

PRECISE REPRODUCTIONS—EACH OF THE OTHER.

Mr. and Mrs. Montague not only were in harmony with all the scene, but were really a part and parcel of it, as, with faces gay with smiles, they slowly walked the way to church. The bells had never sounded half so musical and liquid bright—that is, except on one occasion, to which, indeed, Mr. Montague was moved now to allude.

"Just such a morning as this," said he, with a buoyancy in his voice, "that we went to the chapel—so many, and yet it seems so very few years ago. What a day that was! And what a lot of sunshine we have had ever since!"

"Oh, yes! And didn't the girls look pretty—and Helen—Mrs.—Mrs. Kapulette?"

"I'd call her Helen—wouldn't you, Fanny—to-day? Wasn't it odd that Helen should have been the one to introduce us? What a lively pair you used to make—you two!"

A glow had come in the cheek of Mrs. Montague and an extra brightness in her eyes She felt a yearning toward the girl who had been her chum—the tall young lady who had found her mate—the matronly woman whom long she had loved.

"I wish I could see the way," she mused aloud; "but I know she wouldn't meet—"

"What way, my dear?" said her husband, when she paused. "What do you know—about whom? Who wouldn't meet what?"

"I was just thinking what a lovely bonnet that is on that lady ahead!" She chatted along admiringly—as well she might, having really the prettiest bonnet on parade—but her undercurrent of thought was still of Helen, though she parried the questions of her husband with the lightest digressions.

Up the steps of the miniature cathedral the brilliant throng of Mayfield was swarming, faces turned—amid the gayety of dancing plumes and blooms that courtesied from bonnet to bonnet—to note what their neighbors had found or created to grace the happy occasion.

Within, as Mr. and Mrs. Montague walked calmly up the aisle, the organ was pealing exultantly, pouring forth its thousand voices of praise in an exuberant and swelling river of harmony, as if itself were the fountain of melodies divine.

They took their seats, and reached, like children, each for the hand of the other, to exchange a gentle pressure. No sooner had Mrs. Montague commenced a rapid survey of the congregation—in which her glance went flitting from one exotic to another, like a butterfly in clover—than she found herself, abruptly, looking in the face and at the bonnet of Mrs. Kapulette. And Helen in return was looking at her and hers, and the gaze of each was suddenly held, transfixed.

Well might the old-time friends open eyes of amazement—their bonnets were counterparts—precise reproductions—each of the other; the same moss green, the same spray of feathers, airy and filmy, the same mass of violets, nodding and smiling and tossing their perfume kisses across the aisle and seats of the chancel.

Both in confusion at last were glad to divert their eyes to the hymn books, held below the pews; but neither was reading, nor praying, nor seeing a thing but the twin of her bonnet, and wondering with might and main how this singular duplication had been made possible.

Mrs. Kapulette was guilty of stealing a "peek" from the sides of her eyes, Mrs. Montague was timidly attempting a similar sortie. The glances met and fell again to the books. The service commenced, but nothing was heard or observed, except in a dim, uncertain, mechanical manner, by the two. They were quite enough engrossed with attempts to flank the enemy.

In the midst of the battle of glances, which had gone so far that each was now feeling singularly humorous and amused, their gaze was focused on a striking pair of tall young people gliding silently by and up the aisle side by side.

They were Julia Kapulette, the daughter of Helen, and John Henry Montague, the son of Fanny. And they sat in a pew together and sang from a single book.

Now began, in the breasts of two indulgent and admiring mothers, a conflict of emotions and a struggle so intense that music, sermon, songs and prayers, and all the people but themselves, were merged in a shadowy dream of unreality, to say no word of the puzzle in their brains. Then, to add to their fantasy of thought and to set them whirling in a wilder field of conjecture, those "youngsters," making a show of arranging the overcoat of Jack, in their seat, at the end of a hymn, turned coyly about and smiled the gayest, most knowing of smiles in the wondering faces of their parents, doing first the honor to one and then with utter impartiality to the other.

The mothers were more than ever amazed; but not to say that each began to entertain suspicions of something unusual between their "children" would certainly be to do no justice at all to that other sense in womankind, which is duly acknowledged under the explanation that all possess an intuitive faculty of "finding things out."

Slowly, very slowly, the face of Mrs. Montague came squarely around, unabashed, un-everything but quizzical. Likewise the countenance of Mrs. Kapulette, innocent of everything but dumb though eloquent inquiry, turned deliberately about to that of her friend. Their glances met without a quiver; they scanned each other's expression for light on the mystery; then, playing through the eyes of each, came gleams of old-time merriment and sparks of mischief, and over the face of each a flush of color from the heart. In a second they were smiling in spite of all they could do, while the blossoms on their bonnets insisted on nodding and bobbing across the space intervening in a way that was nothing short of the veriest fellowship and sweet familiarity.

For Helen and Fanny the Easter service was a dream of music, smiling faces and weddings of the past and the future, but the whole was far too long. They would fain awake and span the gulf between—and yet were vaguely in doubt to think of what they would say.

When at last, to the peals of a glorious postludium, the congregation turned to move to the door in calm procession, young Jack and the blushing Julia came tripping down the aisle in time to take their respective mothers by the arm and halt them face to face in the vestibule.

"We came from town to surprise you both," said Jack, "and—ahem—to—to ask you for each other. I want Julia and Julia wants me, and it was for that reason we sent the bonnets."

And the bonnets, being twins, resisting each other no longer, came nearer and nearer together, till at length the nodding violets on either one leaned forward and commingled lovingly with those upon the other.—Ella Stirling Cummins, in American Queen.

AN EASTER LESSON.

The Spirit of Love, Hope, Cheer and Faith.

It is ever the same, yet never the same. This Easter, as all the Easter days before, will set the bells a-swinging, and will pile all the altars high with blossoms.

Think for one moment of the chorus of praise that will go up on Easter morning from all the churches in all the lands of all the Christian world. And that thought alone is enough to make your own heart echo with the Easter joy and praise. Think again of the myriads and myriads of flowers about the church altars and in the homes of the high and the low. And remember, how all through this beautiful springtime they have been getting ready for this festal day.

Look at the Easter from the universal standpoint. Ask yourselves how much of all the great world's work and life are due to love and hope and cheer and faith.

We shall find leaning down upon these qualities all that spirit which makes our homes lovely. All that spirit which has built our hospitals and our churches. All that spirit which has made our nation worth living and dying for. And then let us remember that these blessed things, love and hope and faith, come to us through that triumphant life that swung wide the gates of Easter and let the King of Glory in.

If we begin by looking into the significance of all that Easter means universally we are far more apt to get what it means individually to every soul. Or, if individually, our hearts are not yet in perfect attune with Easter music and Easter praise, we have the better joy of being glad that upon all the rest of this weary world the Sun of Righteousness has risen. Whether to us it is or is not the holy day, our hearts cannot fail to respond joyfully to the fact that, since He is risen, it is the world's great holiday.—Washington Home Magazine.

THE DATE OF EASTER.

Why It Is Sometimes Early and at Other Times Late.

The date of Easter is determined by the ecclesiastical calendar of the Catholic church. It is a very complicated and laborious affair invented by Lilius, a Neapolitan astronomer and sage, under Pope Gregory XIII., at the close of the sixteenth century. It would be preposterous to tax the brains of modern readers with the abstruse calculations by which the date of Easter is determined, but a few general rules might be given for their enlightenment.

The regulations of the council of Nice are four: First, Easter must be celebrated on a Sunday; second, this Sunday must follow the fourteenth day of the paschal moon; third, the paschal moon is that moon whose fourteenth day falls on or next follows the day of the vernal equinox; fourth, the equinox is fixed invariably in the calendar on the 21st day of March.

This calendar moon, it should be remembered, is not the moon of the heavens nor yet the moon of the astronomers, but it is an imaginary moon created for ecclesiastical convenience. From these conditions it follows that Easter Sunday cannot happen earlier than the 22d of March or later than the 25th of April.—Detroit Free Press.

AFTERMATH.

Mrs. Cobwigger—I never think of visiting my milliner's for a month or so after Easter.

Mrs. Dorcas—Why so, my dear?

Mrs. Cobwigger—It really isn't a fit place for a woman, because the men are there swearing about their wives' bills.—N. Y. World.

A Mind Diseased.

"My wife gave me a terrible shock last night."

"What was it?"

"I offered her money for an Easter bonnet, and she said she believed she would spend it on a new saddle for her wheel."—Detroit Free Press.

SPAIN'S ANSWER.

It Arrives at Washington, but Is Not Made Public.

Congress Will Wait Until Monday Before Any Action is Taken—The President Has Asked Delay Until That Time.

Washington, April 1.—Thursday was a day of anxious waiting for Spain's reply to the demands of the United States contemplating the termination of the war in Cuba and the independence of the island. On that reply, it was universally believed, the issue between peace or war would be decided, unless some new and unexpected considerations arose to postpone the issue further. The gravity of the situation was felt in all official quarters. It was not a day of rapid development, as when war preparations were following in rapid successions, but the tension was even greater from the uncertainty that prevailed, and the feeling that Spain would not concede the complete independence of Cuba.

The White House continued to be thronged with congressional leaders, anxious to learn from the president what his course was to be. The general view conveyed by these leaders, after they had been with the president, was that he expected to have definite replies from Spain in time to present the entire subject to congress by next Monday.

The state department was the center of interest throughout the day, as it was there that Minister Woodford's dispatch announcing Spain's attitude was to be received. The officials shared in the general anxiety, but throughout the business hours of the day no word was received from the United States minister.

The attitude of European powers continued to be seriously discussed in official quarters, as it was felt that an offer of European mediation was almost certain to follow a war crisis.

Congress will wait until Monday before any action is taken. The president has asked delay until that time, and assurances have been given by those in charge of affairs that there will be nothing done until Monday.

A message from Minister Woodford was received at midnight at the White House. Secretary Porter announced that the message was in cipher and would not be translated last night and that no information regarding it would be made known until Friday morning.

Both committees of congress dealing with foreign affairs were in session yesterday. The senate committee continued its examination of the report on the Maine, and the house committee by a party vote refused to take any action on Cuba until Monday.

The senate committee agreed to and Senator Lodge reported a bill appropriating $5,000,000 to purchase one or more of the Danish West India islands, to be used for naval purposes.

The senate committee had before it Capt. Sigsbee, of the ill-fated Maine, and Capt. Barker, Secretary Long's naval aid. What these officers told the committee is treated confidentially.

The committee from the republican conference reported to that conference a recommendation that no action be taken until Monday, and its report was approved, the conference adjourning until that date. When this committee returned from its consultation, the chairman commended the course of the president.

The most important action taken by the navy department yesterday was the determination to have the naval militia of the several states prepared for immediate service should this be found necessary. This conclusion was the outcome of a conference of the members of the naval strategic board during the afternoon. Letters will be sent to the governors and to the adjutant generals of all states where there are naval militia or organizations asking them to set in motion the machinery for drilling and equiping the state organizations promptly so they may be ready within a very few hours' notice of a call to arms.

IT IS TIME TO ACT.

Hon. W. J. Bryan Says the United States Should Intervene in Cuban Affairs.

Lincoln, Neb., April 1.—Hon. W. J. Bryan last night made the following statement for the Associated Press in answer to the question whether, in his judgment, the time had arrived for the United States to intervene in behalf of Cuba and bring the war to an end.

"Yes, the time for intervention has arrived. Humanity demands that we shall act. Cuba lies almost within sight of our shores and the sufferings of her people cannot be ignored unless we, as a nation, have become so engrossed in money making to be indifferent to distress. Intervention may be accompanied by danger and expense, but existence cannot be separated from responsibility and responsibility sometimes leads a nation as well as an individual into danger.

"War is a terrible thing and cannot be defended except as a means to an end, and yet it is sometimes the only means by which a necessary end can be secured. War is the final arbiter between nations when reason and diplomacy are of no avail. Spain might not resist intervention; it is to be hoped that she would recognize the right of the United States to act and immediately withdraw from Cuba, but whether she resents intervention or not the United States must perform a plain duty."

Ready for Active Service.

Washington, April 1.—The work of overhauling the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, completing the work on her guns and fitting her up for active service, is now almost finished and she probably will be ordered to leave the Washington navy yard within the next two days. Her officers do not know as yet where she will be ordered, though it is thought that she will go first to Norfolk and then proceed to southern waters. The men are busily employed at present in giving her a coat of black paint, preparatory to painting her a dark green.

HEATED DEBATE.

It Occurs in Both Houses of Congress Over the President's Attitude on the Cuban Question.

Washington, April 1.—An apparent simple request made of the senate yesterday by Mr. Frye on behalf of the foreign relations committee unexpectedly precipitated a discussion on the Cuban question. It finally led to a passage at arms between Mr. Chandler and Mr. Frye in which the former made some sarcastic references to the conduct of the foreign relations committee and to the attitude of the president. Concerning the latter Mr. Chandler said: "I have confidence that the president intends to pursue a patriotic and righteous course in the present emergency and I shall thank God when he reaches a conclusion of some sort or another. Therefore I am not in rebellion as yet against the powers that be."

Mr. Allen made the request of Mr. Frye the occasion of a speech upon the general Cuban question, in the course of which he reviewed his own record on the subject and declared that he stood now just where he has always stood, in favor of the absolute independence of the Cuban people from that "hideous monster among nations"—Spain.

HOUSE—For three hours the packed galleries and excited members of the house listened to a passionate outburst of oratory on the Cuban question during which the intensity of feeling was alternately manifested by cheers, jeers and hisses. The three speeches which stirred the assemblage to its depths were made by Mr. Grosvenor, who it was assumed, spoke for the administration; Mr. Bailey (Texas), who announced the democratic position as for free Cuba without war if it could be avoided, but with war if necessary, and Mr. Johnson (Ind.) who spoke for peace.

A CRITICAL STAGE.

Spaniards Realize that It Has Arrived—The Conference at Madrid.

Madrid, April 1.—The conference yesterday with Gen. Woodford lasted an hour. The ministers submitted fresh proposals, which Gen. Woodford telegraphed to Washington. Their nature was not disclosed.

El Liberal says: "The moment of the denouement (solution of the crisis) has drawn much nearer. There may yet be found means to delay matters, but we doubt it. We ought to apply ourselves to obtain a gain of time, or heartily devote ourselves to the contrary. In our opinion it would be acceptable, even preferable, to accept any extreme measure which would cut the knot if we failed to untie it. The situation is such that by avoiding external struggle we may fall into a still graver one."

The Imparcial (independent) says: "Despite the hopes of the last few days, it is now believed that a conflict is near. We are confronted with a danger which, whatever may be thought, President McKinley cannot change. The nerves of Spaniards are being hardened to resist coolly the consequences of this danger. We are all Spaniards; our mission is to save the national honor, and it rests with the government to take energetic resolutions."

BADLY SHAKEN UP.

California Experiences a Severe Earthquake Shock—Much Damage Reported, but No Loss of Life.

San Francisco, April 1.—At about midnight Wednesday this city and state were shaken by one of the most severe earthquakes ever experienced in California. In San Francisco buildings were swayed violently for fully ten seconds, though reports from other places state that the vibrations continued for from 40 seconds to a minute. A tenement house on Clementina street between Fifth and Sixth streets collapsed, but no one was injured. Nearly every window of the Strathmore apartment house on Larkin street opposite the new city hall was broken.

No person was injured so far as the hospital authorities know. The shock was felt throughout the state, but very meagre reports have as yet been received, owing to the demoralized state of the wires.

Mare Island, Cal., April 1.—The earthquake was very severe here, doing damage estimated at $25,000. The sawmill was prostrated and is a complete wreck. The government hospital and several shops were badly damaged.

A BIG APPROPRIATION.

The New York Legislature Will Vote $1,000,000 to Put the State on a War Footing.

Albany, N. Y., April 1.—The state legislature will make an appropriation of $1,000,000 for the use of the national guard if it should be called into active service in the near future. This extraordinary appropriation will be made in response to an emergency message from Gov. Black on its necessity. The proposition to make this appropriation has been under the consideration of Gov. Black and the financial heads of the state government for several days past. The appropriation will be a contingent one, to be used for the guard, under the direction of the governor, only in case of war.

It was the sense of the conference that the appropriation was not to be made with the idea that war was inevitable or would be declared, but that it was to be made simply to place the guard on an immediate war footing if war was declared.

War Hangs in the Balance.

London, April 1.—The Times says editorially: It is evident peace and war hang in the balance, and that the world has not long to wait for definite information. It cannot be supposed that America's terms have yet been published in their completeness, but they may be guessed to include complete freedom for Cuba. The Spanish government will make a fatal mistake if it fails to understand the terms now offered, which are the best it is ever likely to obtain, and if they are not promptly accepted it is to be feared that the next presentation of American demands will be in a harsher shape.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The importations of hay into the United States in the first half year under the Dingley law, as shown by official figures of the Treasury Department, amounted to only $7,262 against $502,846 in the corresponding six months of the preceding year under the Wilson law.

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The importations of wool in the first six months of the Dingley law's operations were a little over half those of a single month's under the Wilson law. The total importations from August 1, 1897, to February 1, 1898, under the Dingley law were 51,781,070 pounds, while those of the single month of April, 1897, under the Wilson law, were 95,559,933 pounds.

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The success of the farmers of the United States, coupled with the success of her manufacturers, has attracted the attention of those of other parts of the world, one of the results being that within the past fortnight a shipment of 6,000 tons of agricultural machinery was made to Russia in a single day followed by an announcement that another shipment of similar dimensions would follow shortly.

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Exports from the United States to the fourteen different countries which protested against the enactment of the Dingley law have been $56,000,000 greater in the first half year of the Dingley law than in the period of the preceding year under the Wilson law, thus disproving the claim that the enactment of a protective tariff would result disadvantageously to our foreign commerce.

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Medical authorities and boards of health are expressing great anxiety as to the certainty of the introduction of yellow fever into the country next summer in case of a war which would compel the presence of our troops in Cuba and close and constant communication with them, thus probably endangering more lives in the United States than exist in the Island of Cuba.

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The farmers have no occasion to complain of the new tariff law as exemplified in its first six months' operations, which show a decrease of 20 per cent. in the importations of articles of "food" and "live animals," as compared with the corresponding six months of last year under the Wilson law; while those interested in manufactures have equal cause for satisfaction in the fact that the reduction in importations of manufactures under the new law, as compared with the corresponding six months of last year under the Wilson law, has been at about the same rate.

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The Democratic leaders are "working" the Populists with their usual success in those sections where they have been able to induce them to seriously consider the fusion proposition. In Oregon they have made a complete fusion by which they give the Populists the Governorship and some other State officers, shrewdly retain the members of Congress for themselves and their allies, who sail under the name of "Silver-Republicans." This is simply a part of the general scheme by which the Democrats hope to obtain the co-operation of the Populists and themselves get all the advantages from a national standpoint, leaving the Populists a few crumbs of State patronage and keeping them in a position where they can have no influence in national affairs.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, April 4, 1898.

The Dingley law in its first half year makes a good record as to its effect upon importations, as well as its earnings in the matter of revenue. The official figures of the Treasury Department covering the first six months of the Dingley law and comparing its operations with the corresponding six months of the preceding year under the Wilson law are now for the first time accessible. They show, to begin with, a falling off in the importation of articles produced by the farmer. In the classification of "articles of food and live animals," the importations during the first six months of the new law amounted in value to $81,106,723, while in the corresponding six months of the preceding year under the Wilson law the importations of that class of articles amounted to $104,623,300, thus showing a reduction of more than $23,000,000 in this class of articles, most if not not all of which are produced by the farmers.

Another class of citizens who have been equally benefitted by the operations of the new law are those employed in manufacturing industries dependent upon manufactures. One evidence of this is found in the fact that the importation of manufactured articles fell from $90,450,655 under the Wilson law to $69,540,864 under the Dingley law. These figures relate, as do those quoted above, to the first half year's operations of the Dingley law compared with the corresponding six months of the preceding year under the Wilson law.

Thus it will be seen that while the importation of articles of farm production fell off $23,000,000, the importation of manufactured articles fell off over $20,000,000, the percentage of reduction being in each case about the same and the two classes of citizens, the farmers and those dependent upon manufactures being thus benefitted in like proportion.

Another evidence of the increased activity which the new law has brought to our own manufacturers and their employes is evident in the increase in importation of raw material under the Dingley act. In its first six months the importations of raw materials for use in manufacturing amounted to $96,723,625, while under the vaunted Wilson law, whose author and supporters were especial advocates of the "free raw material" idea, the importations of raw material amounted to only $79,583,617 in the corresponding months of the preceding year.

That the new law is operating especially in the interests of the farmers and those dependent upon the manufacturing industries for their employment is thus clearly shown; first, in the reduction in importation of articles of food and live animals, which fell off 20 per cent; second, in the reduction in the importation of manufactured articles which compete with home industries, the reduction in this case being about the same; third, in the evident increase in home industries by reason of the increased demand for raw material for their use in manufacturing; fourth, in the greater prosperity among the producers resulting from the increased activity among manufacturers, and increased earnings among their employes, as is shown by the general advance in prices received by farmers for their products.

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BED-ROOM SUITES, WINDOW CURTAINS, HAT RACKS, DESKS, Etc.. Etc.

LUXURY

it is to recline at ease on one of our superb couches. Slumber comes unsought under such delightful conditions. Pieces of furniture like these are as pleasant to look on as they are to lie on and this fact makes them an irresistable temptation to repose. Our entire stock is packed full of temptations for that matter, temptations in parlor and bedroom suits and in every kind of furniture, and unprecedented temptations in prices. Some people are always quoting from somebody, but our favorite quotations are figures like these: Couches, $5, $6, $8, and $10.

Best Furniture.

We have the largest line ever exhibited in Cameron county.

Geo. J. LaBar.

R. SEGER & SON
FASHIONABLE
CLOTHIERS,

We take great pleasure this week in announcing to the people of Cameron county, that we have just received the most beautiful and complete line of

SPRING GOODS,

Ever placed in Emporium. We have spared no expense in buying the BEST CLASS of goods on the market.

We desire to call the attention of the public to our Show Windows and examine all the latest novelties of spring.

OUR FEDORA HATS,

In all shapes and colors are a thing of beauty and something shich all, both young and old should wear this spring.

OUR SATIN LINED SUITS

For Easter are among the choice offerings we are now displaying. These are of the highest grade of ready-made clothing and best workmanship

OUR NECK WEAR,

Comprises all the latest novelties in Plaids, Stripes and Polkadots and is the most up-to-date line we have ever handled. In a word throughout our entire department we have nothing but the best to offer and will take great pleasure in showing our goods if you will but call.

R. SEGER & SON,

One door east of Bank.

SPRING of 1898
CLOTHING.

Hats,
Caps,
Furnishings
and Shoes.

As usual we are again to the front with an entirely NEW line of Clothing, Hats, Furnishings and Shoes. Having sold nearly all our goods at auction, we bought entirely new goods for this spring.

HATS in all shapes. Have you seen our new styles yet? If not it will pay you to look them over. See our "Broadway—Special." It is a beauty.

SHOES—We sold all our last year's shoes except perhaps a dozen pairs, at auction, so our line is entirely this year's production, and the nobbiest line in this vicinity. We have all the very latest shape toes and all the newest shades in Russet Shoes.

SHIRTS—Our Spring and Summer line of Shirts can't be beaten. Look them over.

SUITS—Both for Men and Boys. They are not "loud" this year as they were the last. We have them at all prices, and more coming, in a few days.

SOBLE,

THE CLOTHIER AND MEN'S OUTFITTER,

Opposite Post-office, Emporium, Pa.

Adam,
Meldrum &
Anderson Co.
The American Block.
BUFFALO, N. Y.

About Our Book and Stationery Department.

We solicit mail orders for books and stationery. We will gladly quote you our prices at any time for any book or books published, and we can always supply you with the best writing paper and stationery at very low prices. We do card engraving in the best form for much less than usual prices.

SOME BOOK PRICES.

Quo Vadis, the authorized and unabridged edition, cloth binding, illustrated, 50c., postage 12c

The same in paper covers 18c., postage 7c.

The Prince of the House of David, new edition, cloth, illustrated, 19c, postage 6c.

The Prince of the House of David, new edition, cloth, illustrated, 19c, postage 6c.

The Beth Book, by Sarah Grand, published at $1.50, our price $1.10c, postage 12c.

The Story of an untold Love, by Paul Leicester Ford, published at $1.25, our price 95c., postage 9c.

Corleone, by F. Marion Crawford, 2 vols., $1.40, postage 17c.

The Seats of the Mighty, by Gilbert Parker, $1.20, postage, 11c.

The Choir Invisible, by James Lane Allen, published at $1.50, our price, $1.15 postage 8c.

The Chautauqua Books, for course 1898, 5 vols., $4.50 the set, expressage 25c.

Pelonbet's Notes on the International Sunday School Lessons for 1898, 85c, postage 12c.

Subscriptions for all magazines and periodicals are received at publishers' rates.

Stationery.

Our "Swan Vellum," and "Swan Satin" are high-class writing papers, made in four sizes—"Joseph" and "Billet" sizes, 40c box of 5 quires. Envelopes to correspond, 40c box of 125. "Octavo" size, 50c. a box; envelopes 50c.

Our "Swan Everwyn" and "Swan Feather" are smooth and rough linen papers made only in octavo and commercial sizes, ruled and plane, 30c and 35c the 5 quire packets, envelopes 7c and 8c packet.

"Swan Seconds" in octavo and commercial sizes, ruled and plain, 18c pound packet, envelopes 5c and 6c a packet.

Papeteries of new square shaped paper and envelopes in fashionable tints, azure, heliotrope, cream and mazarin 15c box, worth 20c, postage 8c.

The same in larger size 20c. worth 30c, postage 10c.

Papeteries of initial paper with envelopes, all initials, new and beautiful, all colors 40c box, worth 50c.

The same illuminated in gold and colors square paper 55c box, worth 75c.

Card Engraving.

Plate and 50 cards for $1.25, postage 6c. Engraving address line 30c extra.

50 cards from your own plate 55c, postage 6c.

100 cards from your own plate 95c, pvstage 11c.

Specimens of engraving and sizes of cards forwarded on application.

Monograms and address dies sunk from $1.50 upwards. Stamping in any color 50c for 120 sheets, or 90c in gold and silver.

ADAM, MELDRUM & ANDERSON CO.,
The American Block.

C. B. HOWARD & COMPANY,
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

CARPETS.

MATTINGS

WE have received our new stock of Carpet Samples, which we would be pleased to show you. They comprise all the latest shades and designs in Wiltons, Moquett, Velvet, Body Brussels, Tapestry and Ingrain Carpet. We do not carry a line of full piece goods and can therefore show you a larger variety of styles at lower prices.

MATTING—We have a line of Mattings which we would be pleased to show you, at prices from 13c to 28c the yard.

RUGS—See our Rugs, at $2.25 and $2.50.

WINDOW SHADES—Before purchasing your spring Window Shades come and see the line we have to show you at very reasonable prices.

RUGS

Window Shades.

C. B. HOWARD & CO.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

EMPORIUM, PA.

Old Reliable Drug Store.

Owing to the very liberal patronage I have had from our people and in view of the hard times I will until MAY 1st, reduce the price of Physicians Prescriptions as follows, viz:

All 1 oz. mixtures, regular price, 20 to 15
All 2 oz. mixtures, regular price, 25 to 19
All 3 oz. mixtures, regular price, 35 to 25
All 4 oz. mixtures, regular price, 45 to 30
All 6 oz. mixtures, regular price, 65 to 50
All 8 oz. mixtures, regular price, 85 to 65

And a corresponding reduction on all packages of Powders, Pills, Ointments Also liberal discount on all Patent Medicines, Baby Foods, Perfumes, Toilet and Fancy Articles and extra liberal discount on Fountain Syringes, Hot Water Bottles, Atomizers and Nursing Bottles.

I will guarantee my goods to be strictly fresh and equal to any goods in the market.

Thirty years experience in the town of Emporium is sufficient evidence of competency. If you wish to avail yourself of the liberal offer, leave your Physician's Prescriptions and drug trade in general at the OLD RELIABLE DRUG STORE.

L. TAGGART.

NEW STOCK
OF
WALL PAPER
WE SELL
BIRGE'S & SONS'
BEST GOODS.
FULL LENGTH, FULL WEIGHT, } **Rolls,**

At the same price you pay for light weight, cheap goods.

H. S. LLOYD.

R. C. DODSON,
—THE—
Druggist,
EMPORIUM, PA.

THE SPRING CHICKEN.

There is no need of special remedies for the young and healthy person. The spring chicken has been noted for its unwisdom. If you would have health and keep it you must be wise and prudent. When you have a symptom, go after it. Prevent its developing. When you are well, keep well. The only way you may is by having the best drugs at hand at all times.

Lots of Easter egg coloring—perfectly harmless.

THE FAIR!

LACE CURTAINS.

The best quality, largest assortment, newest, handsomest and most artistic designs, and prices that are in the bloom of satisfaction will all be found in our superb array of Lace Curtains. An early inspection will be richly rewarded. Come before the stock has been depleted by earlier purchasers.

H. A. ZARPS & CO.

EMPORIUM
MILLING COMPANY.

PRICE LIST.
Emporium, Pa., Feb. 23, 1898.

NEMOPHILA, per sack,	$1 50
Graham, "	75
Rye "	60
Buckwheat, "	50
Patent Meal, "	40
Coarse Meal, per 100,	90
Chop Feed, "	90
Middlings, "	90
Bran, "	90
Corn, per bushel,	50
White Oats, per bushel,	40
Choice Clover Seed, Choice Timothy Seed, Choice Millet Seed, Fancy Kentucky Blue Grass,	At Market Prices.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Woman.

"Should chrisian love ever be stamped from the nations of the earth, the latest spark shall be found in the breast of a true woman."—Rev. W. R. McNeil.

Fade, fade from my view all evil distortions
That bear me away from the pure and the true.
Fade, fade from my spirit, demoniac contortions,
Be the love light of purity, kindled anew.
True woman, what art thou, seraphic construction,
Balm of the wounded heart, gentle and pure;
Divine is thy mission, removing obstruction,
Co-worker with Christ, on foundation secure.
Love, Heaven's gem of highest conception,
The heart of true womanhood, claims as its own.
Friend of the helpless one, foe to deception;
Pure is the seed thy hand has sown.
Though weaker the vessel, a keener perception;
A nobler, a purer, a grace more divine,
Enobler of manhood, without an exception;
Man's nature is base, till he kneels at thy shrine.
Fight onward, brave woman, the crown is before thee;
Fight onward, the end of the battle 's not yet.
The morals of nations, I hereby conjure thee,
By the standard of woman, forever are set.
Noblest and grandest, God's latest creation,
The only addition He made to the plan,
A magnet to guide us, angelic persuasion,
Be thine, joy and peace, through this pilgrimage span.

JAMES CASSELS.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by postal card, letter, or personally.

John Norris, of Kane, was in town on Monday.

Ed. Blinzler spent Sunday with St. Marys friends.

Fred Johnson returned to his school last Sunday evening.

Thos. Dougherty has moved his family to Shives' farm.

Peter R Beattie is very seriously ill and is confined to his bed.

Mr. S. L. Stoddard and wife are visiting at Buffalo this week.

C. E. Page, of Austin, visited with Emporium friends last week.

T. S. Fulton, of Sterling Run, was in town between trains yesterday.

J. B. Schriever is visiting friends and transacting business at Williamsport.

Wm. Youtz, the P. & E. bridge builder, visited in town last Monday.

Bert Weeks is the proud father of a ten pound boy, which arrived Monday.

Hon. Sol. Ross, of Wharton, shook hands with his Emporium friends yesterday.

Mrs. Bisel has returned from visiting friends at Washington, D. C., and other points.

Miss Mame Logan has returned from an extended visit with relatives at Williamsport.

T. R. Williams, of Driftwood, was in town on Tuesday and made a friendly call at the PRESS.

Perry R. Smith, Supt. of Elk Tanning Co., was transacting business in Emporium on Tuesday.

W. R. Mohney, of Pittsburg, was visiting in Emporium on Tuesday, and called to see ye editor.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lawless, of Costello, Pa, are visiting W. M. Lawler, on Woodland Avenue.

Wm. McCrea, who visited his cousins in Emporium during the past week, returned to Ithaca last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Root, of St. Marys, who visited Emporium friends last week, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. G. S. Allen left on Tuesday for Ellenville, N. Y., to visit her parents. Before returning she will visit friends at Philadelphia.

Mr. Chas. Wiley, who has been spending his Spring vacation here, returned to his studies at Blair College, N. J., last Monday.

Messrs. E. H. and W. S. Lininger were in town on Wednesday. They were en route to Austin where they expect to labor this season.

Dr. W. H. Ulsh, of Driftwood, was a PRESS caller to-day. He reports his prospects favorable to appointment in the Navy. Glad to hear it.

Master Warner Judd celebrated his sixth birthday on Tuesday and invited a house full of little ladies and gents to help him paint the house red.

Miss Ada Hockley entertained a few friends last Monday evening, at her home in the Crane block, in honor of her guest, Mr. Harry McManigal.

Mrs. W. M. Lawler and children, Stasia and Matthew, left on Tuesday for a few weeks' visit at Saratoga, Glen Falls and Corinth, N. Y.

Messrs. John and Alex. McInnes and Miss Jennie McInnes attended the dedication of the Elton Presbyterian church, at Dagus Mines, last Sunday.

Messrs. Harry McMannigal and Bert Smith, of Renovo, visited friends in town the first of the week. They were enroute to Allegany College at Meadville.

The many friends of State Senator Walter T. Merrick, of Blossburg, will be pleased to learn that he successfully passed through a surgical operation last week.

Chas. W. Williams and wife, of Mason Hill, visited in Emporium yesterday. They called to see the PRESS and were conducted through our establishment.

Miss Maud Morrison who has been residing at Bradford during the past three months, has returned to Emporium and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Pierce, on Sixth street.

L. B. Munsell has moved his family from Dewart, Pa., to Emporium, and occupies the Creaton house, on West Fourth street. Mr. Munsell has for many years been in the employ of the P. & E. R. R., as bridge builder.

Mrs. Michael Norton, formerly a resident of Emporium, died at Bradford last Thursday, aged 74 years. Her remains were brought to Emporium last Saturday, her funeral being held from St. Mark's Catholic Church. Her husband and only son accompanied her remains.

Huston Hill.

April got ahead of March this year.

Charley Wilson was the guest of Francis Connor last week.

Orlo Miller had business at Medix Run last week.

A number of young swains attended church at Mason Hill last Thursday night.

Misses Lelo Williams and Madge Miller are visiting relatives on Mason Hill.

C. L. and A. S. are talking of starting a circus.

The most of the people of this place think that "Ding" belongs to the liars club.

The entertainment will be Saturday night, April 9th. SAMMY.

Cameron News Letter.

Ed. Stuart was transacting business at Emporium, Wednesday.

Wonder why John didn't go down the railroad Sunday night.

We are glad to see Mike Ryan and Dave Gronitt on our streets once more.

Albert Masters, of Lock Haven, will run the mill for Mr. Barrows this season.

D. C. Lininger and wife returned from Austin last Saturday, where they were visiting his sister, Mrs. Len McMurtrie.

E. H. Lininger and brother Walter left for Austin last Wednesday where they expect to remain this summer.

M. L. McConnell was at the county seat Wednesday.

R. W. Barrows expects to start the mill, Thursday, for the season.

Miss Cora Yocum, who has been very sick, is very much improved, we are glad to note.

Wm. Wykoff, of Cameron, has moved his family to Austin where he expects to work this summer.

JERRY.

Rich Valley Notes.

Editor Press:—

Carl Culver is building a new house.

E. E. Swartwood is learning to ride a wheel.

The lovely weather that we had in March has left us and it feels like winter again.

Mrs. Sarah Fisher, from Costello, was in the valley on business last week.

"Old Dan" has returned to the Valley again and looks as "bright as a new dollar" in his new coat.

Frank Carter and Thomas Brothers, two young gentlemen from Olean, are visiting friends and relatives here.

F. B. Housler expects to start to-day (Monday) for Houghton, N. Y., to attend the Wesleyan conference as a delegate from the Rich Valley church.

We are requested to say that a package containing some table cloths, was lost a couple of weeks ago between here and Emporium. The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at Mr. Parsons' store.

We hear a good deal about war now-a-days, and as we look around us and see the turmoil, commotion and unrest of all the nations of earth, we cannot help thinking that this state of things cannot last much longer; that Christ must come and put an end to all this strife and blood shed, and establish his kingdom of peace. ADINA.

Fulton & Pearsall.

These up-to-date painters have consolidated their business and may be found at their shop in Parsons' Bazaar. Both are practical painters and will give prompt attention to all work entrusted to them. Estimates furnished for all kinds of house, sign and decorative painting as well as wall papering and frescoing. Especial attention given to out of town orders. 47tf.

An exchange very wisely says: The mother who drives her boy out of the house after supper, telling him to amuse himself until bed time, is likely to see him acquire evil habits and bring disgrace on his parents. And yet how many boys are seen on our streets at night who should be at home perusing some good book. Its no wonder, when one stops to think about it, that there are so many boys learning trades in the penitentiary who should have learned them out of it.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents a box. For sale by L. Taggart.
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Renewed activity in railroad building is reported, especially in the South, where it is estimated that three thousand miles of new railroad will be built during the coming year.

Tried and True.

Thousands have tried Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for constipation, indigestion and sick headache and have found it true to the claim made for it, viz: That it is the best remedy now before the good people for the relief of stomach troubles. Trial sizes 10c, large sizes 50c and $1, of L. Taggart. apr

The easiest way to burn stumps entirely, says an exchange, is to bore a number of two-inch auger holes in them to the depth of a foot and fill them with kerosene every day for a week. Then the stump and roots can be demolished by a fire built on top. This is not only the safest and most thorough method, but it has the very desirable advantage of cheapness, and is just as good whether the stump be green or dry.

Americans are the most inventive people on earth. To them have been issued 600,000 patents, or more than one-third of all the patents issued in in the world. No discovery of modern years has been of greater benefit to mankind than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or has done more to relieve pain and suffering. J. W. Vaugh, of Oakton, Ky., says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for several years, and find it to be the best medicine I ever used for cramps in the stomach and bowels. For sale by L. Taggart. apr

Mercantile Appraisement

The Venders of Foreign and Domestic Merchandise, Billiards, Ten Pin Alley, Etc.,

In Cameron County, will take notice that they are Appraised and Classed by the undersigned Appraiser af Mercantile and other License Taxes for the year 1898 as follows, to-wit:

EMPORIUM BOROUGH.

	Class.	Tax.
Balcom & Lloyd, mdse	11	$15 00
Philip Bloom, grocer	14	7 00
R. C. Dodson, drugs	14	7 00
J. H. Day, mdse	12	12 50
Henry Edgcomb, mdse	14	7 00
C. B. Howard & Co., mdse	9	25 00
L. K. Huntington, mdse	14	7 00
S. S. Hacket, mdse	14	7 00
I. H. Hockley, coal	14	7 00
A. Hirsch, jewelry	14	7 00
M. T. Hogan, grocer	14	7 00
S. J. Hacket, mdse	14	7 00
C. H. Jessop, mdse	14	7 00
Jordan Brothers, mdse	14	7 00
Joseph Kinsler, mdse	14	7 00
Geo. J. LaBar, furniture	13	10 00
M. M. Larrabee, mdse	14	7 00
H. S. Lloyd, stationery	14	7 00
Joseph Lechner, boots & shoes	14	7 00
Leet & Co, mdse	11	15 00
Geo. Metzger, Jr., jeweler	14	7 00
Alex. McDougall, grocer	13	10 00
D. E. Olmsted, mdse	14	7 00
H. C. Olmsted, mdse	12	12 50
John F. Parsons, mdse	14	7 00
M. A. Rockwell, drugs	14	7 00
H. L. Raymond, millinery	14	7 00
C. G. Schmidt, confectionery	14	7 00
N. Seger, clothing	13	10 00
Frank Shives, mdse	12	12 50
Peter Schweikart, mdse	14	7 00
R. Seger & Son., clothing	13	10 00
J. J. Soble, clothing	13	10 00
M. C. Tulis, mdse	12	12 50
L. Taggart, drugs	13	10 00
A. F. Vogt, boots and shoes	14	7 00
Walker, Howard & Co., hardware	11	15 00
H. A. Zarps, notions	14	7 00
LUMBER TOWNSHIP.		
W. W. Barrows Est., mdse	13	10 00
C. C. Craven, mdse	14	7 00
B. McOwen & Co., mdse	12	12 50
J. E. Smith, mdse	11	15 00
GROVE TOWNSHIP.		
Barclay Bros., mdse	8	30 00
D. P. Baird, mdse	14	7 00
A. R. Berfield, Agt. grocer	14	7 00
DRIFTWOOD BOROUGH.		
J. O. Brookbank & Co., mdse	7	40 00
W. H. Mitchell, mdse	11	15 00
M. E. Nefcy, mdse	14	7 00
Krider & Yothers, mdse	14	7 00
J. N. Rothrock, clothing	14	7 00
M. T. Roach, drugs	14	7 00
A. F. Redfoot, mdse	14	7 00
SHIPPEN TOWNSHIP.		
C. R. Kline & Co,, mdse	14	7 00
PORTAGE TOWNSHIP.		
W. R. Sizer, mdse	14	7 00
BILLIARDS AND TEN PIN ALLEY. EMPORIUM BOROUGH.		
A. A. McDonald, 3 billiard tables		50 00
Hayes & Hurteau, 3 billiard tables		50 00
Hayes & Hurteau, 1 ten pin alley		30 00

TAKE NOTICE.

All who are concerned in this appraisement,

THAT AN APPEAL,
WILL BE HELD
AT THE OFFICE OF THE
County Commissioners,
ON
Saturday, the 23d day of April 1898,
BETWEEN THE
Hours of 9 a. m., and 4 p. m.,
when you may attend if you think proper.

FRANKLIN HOUSLER,
Mercantile Appraiser.

Emporium, Pa., March 5th, 1898. 4t

PUBLIC SALE OF UNCLAIMED FREIGHT.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF THE COURT of Common Pleas for the County of Cameron, and under the provisions of an Act of General Assembly, approved the 14th day of DECEMBER, 1893, the PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY will expose to PUBLIC SALE, at the FREIGHT STATION, on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division, at EMPORIUM, PA.,

SATURDAY, APRIL 23d, 1898,

At 1:30 o'clock, P. M., one car load SHINGLES consigned to Bryant Lumber & Shingle Co., Emporium, Pa., notify S. S. Hackett, loaded on car 11,584, lading said to consist of 670 packages of shingles.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH.

F. D. HOWELL, Frt. Claim Agt.
W. E. FRASER, Div. Frt Agt.
T. GALLAGHER, Frt. Agent.

Williamsport, Pa., March 25, 1898.—5-3t.

The Place to Buy Cheap
—IS AT—
J. F. PARSONS.

DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN
CURES INDIGESTION.

HOUSE-KEEPERS ATTENTION!

This is the Brand,
The Miller planned
To be the finest in the land.

Now East and West,
His skill attest,
And Pillsbury's Best leads all the rest.

If the inscription on your sack of flour is like the above, you have the best flour in the world and ought to have the best bread. Better look and see, and if not, go at once to

DAY'S

and procure a sack of

World Famous, **Pillsbury's Best.**

There are others, but none so good.

J. H. DAY,
23 Fourth St.,
Emporium, Pa.

ROCKWELL'S DRUG STORE,

Next to Post-office, Emporium, Pa.

Fancy Stationery.

Just received the choicest invoice of Fancy Stationery, including Envelopes, Paper and Turists Pads,

Toilet and Bath Goods.

My line of Toilet and Bath Goods includes a fine line of Soaps, Brushes, Sponges, etc.

ROCKWELL'S DRUG -- STORE.

EMPORIUM, PA.

BURPEE'S Farm Annual for 1898

Leading American Seed Catalogue.

Brighter and better than ever before. Mailed FREE to any address.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

WALL PAPER

Do you expect to do any papering? We will send you free a large selection of samples from 3c. per roll up, all new colorings and novelties up to date. **WE PAY FREIGHT.** We want an agent in every town to sell on commission from large sample books. No capital required. For samples or particulars, address

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For sale by GEO. J. LABAR,
Emporium, Pa.

Travelers Guide.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.
PHILADELPHIA AND ERIE RAILROAD DIVISION.
In effect November 28, 1897.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM EASTWARD,

8 20 A. M.—Train 8 week days for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6.23 P. M., New York 9.50 P. M., Baltimore 6.00 P. M., Washington 7.15 P. M. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

3 20 P. M.—Train 6 week days for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 4.30 A. M., New York 7.33 A.M. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 A. M.

8 57 P. M.—Train 4 Daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6.52 A. M., New York 9.33 A. M., weekdays, (10.38 A. M. Sunday; Baltimore 6.20 A. M., Washington 7.40 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport. Passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

5:10 A. M.—Emporium Junction—Train 9 week days for Erie, Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10 35 A. M.—Train 3 Daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6 25 P. M. — Train 15, week days for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR EMPORIUM FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 9 leaves New York 5.50 p. m., Philadelphia 8.50 p. m., Washington 7.20 p. m., Baltimore 8.40 p. m., arriving at Emporium Junction 5.10 a. m., week days, with Pullman Sleepers and passenger coaches, from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport.

Train 3 leaves New York 7.40 p. m., Philadelphia 11.20 p. m., Washington 10.40 p. m, Baltimore 11.50 p, m., daily, arriving at Emporium 10.25 a. m., with Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars from Philadelphia to Williamsport, and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and Baltimore to Williamsport—on Sundays only Pullman Sleepers from Philadelphia to Erie.

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia 8.30 a. m., Washington 7.50 a.m., Baltimore 8.50 a.m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 A. M., week days, arriving at Emporium 6.25 P. M., with Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport, and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Kane.

RIDGWAY & CLEARFIELD RAILROAD and Connections.

(Week days.)

SOUTHWARD. A. M.		A. M.	Stations.	P. M.		NORTHWARD P. M.
8 50	.....	4 00	....Renovo....	5 00	.....	10 20
9 43	.....	4 41	...Driftwood...	4 03	.....	9 30
10 20	.....	5 10	Emporium Junc	3 25	.....	9 00
11 02	.....	5 52	....St. Marys...	2 40	.....	8 19
11 15	.....		.....Kane.....	12 15	.....	9 05
11 36	.....		....Wilcox.....	11 51	.....	8 42
11 49	.....		..Johnsonburg..	11 36	.....	8 27
	.....				.....	
12 10	.....	6 20	...Ridgway,....	8 50	.....	8 00
12 17	.....	6 27	..Island Run...	8 43	.....	7 52
12 22	.....	6 32	Carman Tr'nfer	8 38	.....	7 47
12 31	.....	6 41	...Croyland....	8 29	.....	7 38
12 35	.....	6 45	...Shorts Mills..	8 26	.....	7 35
12 39	.....	6 48	...Blue Rock...	8 22	.....	7 30
	.....	6 50	Vinyard Run..	8 19	.....	
12 43	.....	6 53	.....Carrier.....	8 17	.....	7 26
12 53	.....	7 02	.Brockwayville..	8 08	.....	7 17
12 57	.....	7 06	...Lanes Mills..	8 02	.....	7 12
1 07	.....	7 14	.Harveys Run..	7 54	.....	7 04
1 15	.....	7 20	..Falls Creek...	7 50	.....	7 00
1 40	.....	7 35	....DuBois.....	7 40	.....	6 40
1 20	.....	7 25	..Falls Creek..	7 00	.....	6 55
1 35	.....	7 40	.Reynoldsville..	6 45	.....	6 40
2 11	.....	8 16	...Brookville...	6 09	.....	6 04
3 05	.....	9 10	New Bethlehem	5 26	.....	5 10
3 50	.....	9 55	...Red Bank....	.....	.....	4 25
6 30	.....	12 40	....Pittsburg...	.....	.....	1 40
P. M.	.....	P. M.		A. M.	.....	P. M.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Passenger Agt.

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Time Table In Effect April 18, 1897.

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Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday 8.20 A. M.
Mail, (103 daily except Sunday.. .....1.50 P. M.

Train No. 103 (mail) will connect at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Bradford, Salamanca Warren, Oil City and Pittsburg.

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TIME TABLE No. 23.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R.

Taking effect June 15th, 1897.

EASTWARD.

STATIONS.		10 P. M.	4 P. M.	6 A. M.	2 P. M.
Port Allegany,	Lv.	3 15	7 18	.....	12 10
Coleman,		○○	○○	.....	*12 15
Burtville,		*3 30	7 29	.....	12 22
Roulette,		3 40	7 36	.....	12 29
Knowlton's,		*3 45	○○	.....	*12 34
Mina,		3 55	7 46	.....	12 41
Olmsted,		*4 00	*7 50	.....	*12 46
Hammonds,		○○	○○	.....	*12 51
Coudersport.	Ar.	4 15	7 57	.....	12 55
	Lv.			6 30	1 00
North Coudersport,		.....	.....	○○	*1 05
Frink's,		.....	.....	*6 40	*1 14
Colesburg,		.....	.....	*6 46	1 20
Seven Bridges,		.....	.....	*6 50	*1 24
Raymonds's,		.....	.....	*7 01	1 36
Gold,		.....	.....	7 06	1 42
Newfield,		.....	.....	*7 16	1 45
B. & S. Junction,		.....	.....	7	1 50
Perkins,		.....	.....	*7 16	*1 53
Carpenter's,		.....	.....	○○	*1 56
Crowell's,		.....	.....	*7 21	*2 00
Ulysses,	Ar.	.....	.....	7 30	2 10

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.		1 A. M.	5 P. M.	3 A. M.	
Ulysses,	Lv.	7 42	2 30	10 05	.....
Crowell's,		*7 51	*2 40	*10 17	.....
Carpenter's,		○○	*2 42	*10 20	.....
Perkins,		*7 54	*2 45	*10 25	.....
B. & S. Junction,		7 57	2 50	10 30	.....
Newfield,		*8 00	2 54	*10 35	.....
Gold,		8 04	2 56	10 42	.....
Raymond's		*8 07	2 59	*10 47	.....
Seven Bridges,		*8 19	*3 11	*11 05	.....
Colesburg,		*8 21	3 15	*11 10	.....
Frink's,		*8 28	*3 22	*11 17	.....
North Coudersport,		○○	*3 30	*11 27	.....
Coudersport,	Ar.	8 43	3 35	11 35	.....
	Lv.	8 45	6 00	P. M. 1 30	.....
Hammonds,		○○	○○	*1 34	.....
Olmsted,		*8 51	*6 06	*1 40	.....
Mina,		8 55	6 10	1 45	.....
Knowlton's,		○○	*6 18	○○	.....
Roulette,		9 05	6 22	1 57	.....
Burtville,		9 13	6 30	2 10	.....
Coleman,		○○	*6 36	○○	.....
Port Allegany,		9 24	6 40	2 35	.....

(*) Flag stations. (○○) Trains do not stop.

Connections—At Ulysses with Fall Brook R'y. for points north and south. At Newfield Junction with Buffalo & Susquehanna R. R., north of Wellsville, south of Galeton and Ansonia. At Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. R. R., north for Buffalo, Olean, Bradford and Smethport; south for Keating Summit, Austin, Emporium and Penn'a R. R., points.

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On and after Feb. 20, 1898, passenger trains will depart from Johnsonburg daily, except Sunday, as follows:

8:52 a. m., from P. & E. station for Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois, Punxsutawney and Clearfield.

11:52 a. m., from P. & E. station, mail for Mt. Jewett, Bradford and Rochester.

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IN FOG AND MIST.

Morning gray as any nun,
Not a hint of coming sun,
Fog and mist, across the dawn,
Have their heavy curtains drawn.
Dripping branches, bare and brown—
Shall we smile or shall we frown?

Hear the voices faint and far:
"All unsightly as we are
Every tree heart holds within
Faith in nature's discipline.
So we welcome skies like these,
Welcome all her mysteries."

Rose trees, shrouded in the gloom,
Do you ever hope to bloom?
"What of dreary mists outside?
Happy secrets do we hide,
All the glory of the rose,
Do our folded buds inclose."

Robin, in a world forlorn,
Do you frown away the morn?
Shake of wing and swelling throat—
"Nay, I sing my gayest note;
Dear old world, it needs my lay,
Under skies so dull and gray."

Shall I then, when clouds arise,
Meet them with despairing eyes?
Let my heart forget its faith,
And my hope go down to death,
While the world, the clouds among,
Needs all faith and hope and song?
—A. E. Woodworth, in Chicago Advance.

A CLEW BY WIRE

Or, An Interrupted Current.

BY HOWARD M. YOST.

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CHAPTER VI.—CONTINUED.

The remainder of the forenoon was spent in going through the barns and over the farm.

A small structure, twenty or thirty feet from the house, had been used to do the cooking, baking, churning, washing and ironing in. We could not gain access to the cooking house, as it had been called, the door being locked. There had been no care taken of this place, and I could hardly see through the dust and dirt which obscured the windows, when I attempted to look inside.

"There is nothing to be seen in there, anyhow," I said. But I remembered the pile of cakes and the loaves of bread which had issued from the old Dutch oven built in one side of the cook-house. How I wish for some of the good things now!

After a midday dinner, I harnessed the horse in the buggy. According to my instructions, my agent had provided me with a single rig, and I now proposed to use it to drive Sarah home and then keep on down the road, past Sidington Station, across the river to Twineburgh, in which place Mr. Sonntag, my lawyer, resided.

I had never seen Mr. Sonntag. My former agent had died nearly a year ago, and six months after his death Sonntag had bought the law business from the heirs.

I had been advised of this fact by a circular letter from the present incumbent, giving references as to abilty, honesty, etc. Mr. Sonntag had also requested me to allow him to assume management of my small estate. As Mr. Perry, the president of the bank, was down among the names of reference, I was most willing to grant Mr. Sonntag's request, and wrote him to that effect.

On the way to Sarah's house I unbosomed myself to the good old soul. I told her of my hopes regarding Florence, and my fears that those hopes would never be realized.

"Ach, yes," answered Sarah, "you vill marry her some day. Just see how you've been brought both to de same place togedder. And I know she lofes you."

"You are more certain than I am of that," I answered, somewhat gloomily. "I have told you everything about myself, because I have no mother to confide in; and you will no more violate my confidence than a mother would; of that I am certain."

"Ach, Nel! I got no leetle vons of mine own," she answered, with trembling voice. There were tears in her eyes, too, when she said: "I vould do as much for you as a mudder; I guess I vould, Nel."

Her love was grateful to me, orphaned as I had been for many years, and for the last year without a friend to console or advise me.

"Bud you vas foolish, Nel, to say you not see her undil you fint de robbers," Sarah went on—"foolish of you, and hart for her, too. I bet you she haf lots of heartache."

"What else could I do, though, in honor?" I exclaimed.

"Vell, you are innocent, and she lofes you, and knows, too, dat you didn't rob de bank. So den it vould be no dishonor to drust her lofe and be happy in id."

Sarah's logic found an echo in my heart. Perhaps it was unjust to Florence's love not to ask her to share my burden. I knew, if I could share any sorrow or trouble of hers, how happy I would be.

We soon reached Sarah's house, and I reined up to allow her to alight. Then I continued on my way.

Twineburgh was about two miles across the valley beyond Sidington. It was a lively little place, of about 2,000 inhabitants. One of the great trunk lines of railroad ran through the town.

The road to Twineburgh crossed the track at Sidington station, near the depot.

As I reined up my horse to a walk and glanced up and down the track before crossing, I saw the station agent standing on the edge of the platform.

I nodded to the fellow and he answered with a grin. Then, as he slowly came toward me, I stopped the horse and waited.

"You took the trunk, didn't you?" he asked.

"Mr. Hunsicker came for it," I replied.

"I saw the trunk was gone when I came back," he said, in his lumbering fashion. "Did Jake take you over to Nelsonville?"

"Yes. I am much obliged to you for directing me to him," I said, shortly.

"I thought mebbe he would."

Having said this, he shifted his weight to the other foot. I patiently waited.

"Nice country around Nelsonville," he finally went on. "Some of the city folks beginning to find it out and go there for the summer. Mr. Morley's been there six months now. Know Mr. Morley?"

"I am slightly acquainted with him," I replied.

"Then there's another feller comes up from the city. Let's see—what's his name, now? He's got a little hut a mile or so from here, and comes up to hunt and fish. Guess he don't shoot very much. I never see him take any game back to town with him. Oh, yes, now I remember. His name's Jackson."

I started in surprise and became a little more interested.

"What? Not Horace Jackson?" I asked.

"Yes, that's his name. Acquainted with him?"

"I used to know Mr. Jackson quite well."

"Seems to be a nice fellow," the agent remarked, reflectively.

"A very pleasant gentleman. Oh, by the way," I went on, "is there a telegraph instrument at the depot?"

"To be sure."

"And I could send a message whenever I want to?"

"Yes; that is, whenever I'm here."

"Well, but supposing I had an important message to send when you are not here?" I asked. "Where could I find you?"

"I live up the track about a mile," he replied.

"This direction?"

"Yes. The house is right by the track, just where the switch begins."

"And what's your name?"

"Ask for Hunter."

It appeared to me that the fellow did not relish my questioning. He seemed to be ill at ease under it.

"Does Jackson go to Mr. Morley's house when he comes up here?" I asked.

"I guess he does, sometimes. He ain't been up lately; not for five or six weeks. At least I haven't seen him."

"Does Mr. Morley stay at Nelsonville all the time?" I asked. "Or does he go to town every day?"

"He goes to the city three days in the week; sometimes more'n that. He takes the morning train here at Sidington, and comes up to Twineburgh on the afternoon train."

I bowed my head and drove on.

The fellow's words gave me food for thought. Horace Jackson a frequent visitor at the Morleys, or at least until recently—why? I knew he had some business relations with Mr. Morley; Jackson himself had told me so. But then why did he not transact his business at Mr. Morley's office in the city? No doubt he did, and therefore visited Nelsonville for another reason. Florence Morley was the attraction. Remembering that she had passed me by without a greeting, my heart grew heavy with doubt.

CHAPTER VII.

The probability that I had a rival in the field, and one who had a free road while I was handicapped by the suspicion of a crime, filled me with desperation.

Had I only followed my first impulse, and not allowed a whole year to intervene without making an attempt to clear myself! If you want anything of consequence done, do it yourself, was a maxim I had always believed in, and as far as possible followed out. But in this one most important instance, where the circumstances affected my whole life and promised to annul all possibility of future happiness, I had held aloof with a supineness for which I could not now condemn myself strongly enough.

I knew the bank officials had used every effort to recover their property. I knew the shrewdest detectives had been put on the case. Notwithstanding this, nothing had been discovered. How could I, then, hope to succeed! Where could I begin? There was not the least sign of a clew to work on.

I soon drove into Twineburgh, and had no trouble in locating Mr. Sonntag's office.

An undersized old fellow with bristling gray hair was seated at a desk, his back toward the door. He took no notice of me, and, after standing for a few minutes gazing at the back of his head, I made known my presence.

"I wish to speak to Mr. Sonntag," I said.

"Take a chair; be at leisure in a moment," came the answer, in quick, jerky tones. He did not even turn his head, but went on with his work.

I sat down and looked around. It was a typical small-town lawyer's office I was in. There were a few law books in a small, rickety bookcase on one side of the room, a few rough wooden chairs, warranted to cause a backache only to look at them, a few old maps and calendars, most of the latter of former years, hanging on the walls, a wooden spittoon filled with sawdust on the floor, a rusty stove, from which the discolorations of the fires of the last winter had not been removed, standing in one corner, and, lastly, the desk before which was seated my agent and lawyer.

I thought the old fellow, judging from his back, was in complete harmony with his surroundings; but I soon found I had misjudged the man. For when he finally arose, turned toward me and favored me with a searching glance from a pair of the keenest steel-blue eyes I had ever seen, it was very evident Mr. Sonntag was not as rusty as his surroundings.

There was something familiar to me about him. Had I met him before? I could not remember.

Arising, I was about to make myself known, but before I could utter a word he stepped briskly up to me and with a smile extended his hand.

"I am glad to see you," he began

"Of course you are my client, Mr. Nelson Conway?"

"Yes, that is my name," I answered, somewhat surprised. "But, as you have probably never seen me before, although your face does seem familiar, I should like to ask how you knew."

"Nothing remarkable about it at all. You wrote me from Paris, you remember, stating the probable time of your arrival home. And, although I have been here only six months, I have got to know, by sight at least, every one about this place. Therefore I knew you were a stranger, that Mr. Conway was about due, and—well, there you have it. Have you just arrived?"

"I came yesterday noon."

"Indeed. And where are you stopping?"

"Over at the old house, of course. Where else should I have gone?"

"Oh, I supposed you would have put up at the hotel here in Twineburgh until we could get things in a little better shape for you at the homestead. How did you find things?"

"Considering that the house has been vacant so many years, I was very agreeably surprised to note the good state of repair it is in," I replied.

"I have tried to follow out the plans of my predecessor as far as possible. You think you will enjoy yourself in Nelsonville?" he asked, flashing an inquiring glance at me.

"Oh, yes. I hope to have absolute rest and peace, at any rate," I replied, somewhat hesitatingly, for my sojourn at the old house had certainly not begun restfully. I had slept but little the night before.

"Nothing about the arrangements I have made for your comfort to prevent it, is there?" he asked.

"No. You have done well. I want to ask you, before I forget it, why did you have the cellar off of the old storeroom walled up?"

A look of perplexity came over his face, and, as he did not seem to comprehend my question, I went on more explicitly:

"There were two doorways, one leading to the storeroom and the other leading to the outside. Both these doorways have been built up with solid masonry to correspond with the foundation walls. I simply ask out of curiosity what your reasons were for having it done—not that I have any objection."

My question was a simple enough one. Mr. Sonntag seemed to think it necessary to ponder over it, however.

"Let me see. The cellar you have reference to is directly under the room you proposed in your letter of instruction to me to occupy," he finally said.

"Yes, and there used to be two doors to—"

"And they have been built up?" he broke in.

"Yes. Do you not know about it?" I asked, in surprise.

"No," he replied, shortly.

"Then you did not have it done?"

"Certainly not. I had nothing to do with it. Know nothing about it," he

Florence Morley.

answered, decidedly. "If they are built up, it has been done within six weeks. For when I received your letter announcing your intention to occupy the house for a time, I went all through the place, and those doorways were not built up then. I even went into that cellar. It was a damp, musty hole, and I intended to call your attention to it and ask what you wished done about it."

"Well, that's strange! Who could have done it!" I exclaimed, thoroughly perplexed. "How did you get into the storeroom? I had to kick open the door."

"Oh, I had a key to the outside door, and got in that way. H'm! It is, as you say, very strange, indeed. But resume your seat, Mr. Conway."

Again the thought occurred to me that I had met Mr. Sonntag, or at least seen him, somewhere before.

"Did I ever meet you?" I asked, voicing my thought.

He glanced quickly at me, and then smiled as he said: "Look like some one you know, do I? One often meets people who put them in mind of some one else. Now, regarding this cellar affair. Is there anyone you know who is interested in your property?" he asked, in a brisk, business-like manner.

"No one," I replied. "I am the last of my race—a lonely man, and one who is sick at heart, I was about to add."

Mr. Sonntag's face became serious, and I thought there was a touch of pity on it.

"Cheer up, Mr. Conway. The tables will turn some day, and you will forget the time of trouble and despondency," the old lawyer said, cheerily and hopefully; "perhaps sooner than you have any idea of. Now, then," he continued, returning to his brisk, business-like manner, "some one has walled up those doorways. Who was it, and for what purpose? If it was done with the idea of a hiding-place, what was the thing to be hidden? Something which was never again to be reproduced, evidently, or the room would not have been wholly sealed. Perhaps there was a secret entrance provided. But then, why should your property have been selected? Were you alone when the discovery was made?"

"No, sir. A woman who used to act as nurse girl when I was a young one was with me, and also Mrs. Snyder, the widow who takes care of the house."

"Yes, I know. I believe the old widow can be relied upon to say nothing about the circumstances if she is told not to. How about the other, your old nurse?"

"She would do anything possible for me. I was her idol when a child, and now devotion for me seems to have been augmented in proportion to my stature. Sarah is wholly trustworthy, and if I requested her not to mention the matter she would have her tongue cut out rather than breathe a word of it."

"That's good. The discovery had best be kept secret," the old lawyer said, reflectively.

"There is another thing I wish to mention, though perhaps it is hardly worth dwelling upon. Mrs. Snyder thinks there is something strange about the house. And she has so succeeded in impressing my old nurse with the idea that Sarah is quite concerned about my staying. She seems to be imbued with an inexplicable fear that something harmful threatens me."

"Indeed! What do you mean when you say there is something strange? You mean mysterious?" the old lawyer asked, in the manner he would have used in cross-examining a witness.

"Yes; Mrs. Snyder claims to have seen mysterious lights at night, and heard strange noises."

Mr. Sonntag's eyes lost their shrewd expression for a few moments; he relapsed into deep thought.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

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"Poking along the side of the house one night looking for the handiest cellar window," said the retired burglar, "I brushed against a string hanging down the side of the house. Looking up I saw that this string disappeared over the sill of a second-story window, and then I realized that it was Fourth of July morning, and I knew that the string was tied around the big toe of a boy who was then sound asleep, but had made a solemn contract with a neighbor's son to come and pull that string and wake him up at exactly—When? That was the question. Two o'clock? Three o'clock? Four o'clock? When? I didn't know, and there wasn't any way of finding out.

"It was then about quarter of two. Of course it would have been the part of common sense for me to go away, but I didn't. I took the chances and looked around the house. But I didn't find anything that I wanted bad enough to carry it off. I didn't look very hard. To tell the truth I never came so near to feeling mean about my business as I did that morning.

"It wasn't because I was working on a holiday. In my business we don't pay much attention to holidays, anyway; we work right along just the same, but somehow this Fourth o' July business, string out of the window, and all that kind o' touched me up.

"I went up to the boy's room and found him sleeping sound as a nut. Fourth o' July things spread out on a table. Humph! Three or four packs of firecrackers not opened. One pack loose in a saucer, all ready to begin. Three or four pieces of punk. Two or three pin wheels, and two or three little bits of rockets. Pretty small outfit, take it altogether, but the boy's heart was in it. Very likely he didn't realize what Fourth o' July meant; I don't suppose he did; but it was a great day, all the same.

"I looked out of the boy's window. This was in the country, or rather in a country town, and off in the distance I could hear guns now and then, and now and then a pistol; sometimes I could see the flash. Men celebrating. Drunk, maybe, 'round some tavern, but celebrating; celebrating their country, mine too, and I was around robbing people.

"When I went past the string again I gave it a yank; I thought I ought to have that much fun out of it, anyway, and hid behind a currant bush and waited to see him poke his head out, which he did in about a quarter of a minute. But he didn't see anybody—how could he when there wasn't anybody there; and I suppose he must have thought he dreamt it. But he didn't—the string was pulled—I pulled it."—N. Y. Sun.

Exit George.

The time was approaching midnight. The old gentleman was listening from a coign of vantage at the head of the stairs. He had been there in his stocking feet for as long as 32 minutes.

The young man was lingering at the front door with the old gent's daughter. As a lingerer he was a success, and he was aided and abetted by the girl. This, also, the old gent knew, as well as several other interesting things. That's why he became tired of listening at the head of the stairs. At last he heard a shuffling of feet. "It's so hard to say 'good-night,' darling," the young man said to the girl, who believed every word he uttered. As they always do before matrimony gets in its baleful work. "Don't say it, George," sang out the old man; "wait about five minutes and say 'good morning.'" It was then the impediment in George's speech was removed, and, with at least 4½ minutes to spare, the girl closed the front door and George trotted along home.—Tit-Bits.

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LOOKS LIKE WAR.

Events All Point to a Conflict With Spain.

SITUATION VERY GRAVE.

The Cabinet Holds Two Sessions on the Answer of Spain.

IN A FEVER OF EXCITEMENT.

Condition of Affairs at Washington—Speaker Reed is Summoned to the White House for a Conference—Policy of the Administration.

Washington, April 2.—There is little doubt that the president and members of his cabinet now regard a conflict with Spain as almost inevitable. In his message to congress, which in all probability will be sent in next Monday, and certainly early next week, it is understood that the president will review at some length the record as it stands between this government and Spain, but will not insist upon further time in which to continue negotiations looking to a peaceful solution of the Cuban problem.

The cabinet meeting yesterday morning was unquestionably the most important held in many years. It received Spain's answer to the ultimatum of this country, and finding it unsatisfactory practically decided upon a policy which at this hour seems certainly to involve hostilities.

The whole record will be laid before congress and the question is now under earnest consideration of what shall be the particular form our policy shall take in bringing to an end the horrors in Cuba and securing the independence of the island. Propositions ranging from a simple recognition of Cuban independence to a straight-out declaration of war have been urged at the capitol, but there is hardly a doubt that a majority of congressmen await the executive lead before taking action, and are disposed to adopt Mr. McKinley's suggestion on this point. It is thought that any of the resolutions except possibly simple recognition of independence would lead to war.

There were of course all sorts of rumors in circulation, including reports of mediation by some European powers, but no such suggestion has come to this government, for as late as 5 o'clock, in response to a direct question, Assistant Secretary Day said there had been no offer of mediation by any foreign government. One member of the cabinet in speaking of the meetings yesterday spoke substantially as follows:

"In the morning it was apparent to all of us that, having exhausted all diplomatic efforts to bring about a better condition of affairs in Cuba and they having failed, the whole question must be submitted to congress. At our afternoon meeting the president requested each member of the cabinet to express freely his individual opinion as to what should be done. The discussion was entirely on the lines indicated by the members. Nothing definite was decided upon.

"The president will now take the views submitted to him under consideration preparatory to his message to congress, which will be sent early next week. Mr. McKinley has done a great deal of work recently and appears pretty well fatigued. Consequently he will take some little rest before beginning active work on the message. He has not yet determined upon what recommendation will be communicated to congress. My own individual opinion is that but little faith can be put in promises made by Spain, and this makes me hesitate about accepting with any confidence her latest proposals.

"Reference was made by Spain to the Maine matter in the reply she sent through Minister Woodford. She made no offer to pay for the loss, but suggested that the matter be settled by arbitration. So far as I recall she expressed no regret for the sad occurrence and the whole thing was regarded as a cold-blooded statemen."t

The second session of the cabinet lasted from 5 until 6:20. The Spanish minister called at the state department at 4:30 and was in conference with Mr. Day for some time. Although there was the strictest reserve as to what had occured, it can be stated positively that the United States submitted no further propositions, nor did the Spanish minister offer anything which changed the situation of affairs.

Both sides regard the issue as made up with no likelihood of further negotiations between now and the time when the president will submit the whole case to congress. The United States has presented its demand and Spain has given her answer. Thus the case stands. While this brings a halt to the active negotiations which have been in progress for the last few days, it does not mean that diplomatic relations between the two countries are terminated, for such a step is the last preliminary before an actual state of war. Minister Woodford remains at his post at Madrid and is said to be entirely safe from harm. The Spanish minister, Senor Bernabe, also remains at his post here.

Commodore Schley has received a query from Washington, asking him what is the earliest date upon which he would be able to leave Hampton roads. He has replied that if the Minneapolis reaches here to-day to coal, he can move Sunday night or Monday morning at the latest.

The flying squadron is to remain in Hampton roads, for the present at least. This announcement was made late Friday afternoon by Secretary Long and set at rest the reports which had been current throughout the day that a movement of the squadron was imminent. The secretary stated that the department believed that the present rendezvous of the squadron was the most available one from which the ships under Commodore Schley could operate in carrying out the purpose for which it was formed, that is the protection of the north Atlantic seaboard. He added that no orders had been issued to Commodore Schley and that none were in immediate contemplation.

It is stated on reliable authority that the department discussed the question of ordering the ships to sea, presumably, though not officially so stated, in connection with the approach of the Spanish torpedo flotilla, which has since arrived at Porto Rico. It has been an open secret for some days that the naval authorities have regarded the approach of the Spanish flotilla with apprehension, and their feelings in this regard were strong enough to call the matter to the attention of the authorities. After considering the matter, however, it was decided that no orders would be issued looking to a movement of the squadron.

It was pointed out that the sending of the squadron in the direction of the West Indies, even though its mission was not to intercept the flotilla, would be regarded as a hostile act not warranted by the present condition of affairs. It is also understood that it was deemed wise not to permit any movement of the flying squadron whatever just at present, as public interest being so largely centered upon it, such a movement would be liable to misconstruction and give rise to rumors that would tend only to aggravate the situation. The flying squadron will be completed to-day with the arrival of the Minneapolis at Hampton Roads, and then the swiftest group of warships ever gathered in one command will be assembled under Commodore Schley's flag.

Supplementing the action taken by the navy department in requesting governors of states to drill and equip the naval militia so as to be ready for any emergency, Assistant Secretary Roosevelt yesterday sent letters to the governors of those sea coast states not having such organizations to take steps looking to the formation of naval militia so far as is possible under the state laws. It is hoped by the naval officials that each of these states will be enabled to promptly acquiesce in the department's request and be prepared to assist in the naval auxiliary work.

BUSINESS BAROMETER.

Dun's Report Says the War Cloud Has Not Yet Increased Commercial Disasters.

New York, April 2.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: In spite of foreign conditions since the destruction of the Maine, February 15, failures in three months are smaller than in the first quarter of any year since 1886. The ratio of defaulted liabilities to payments through clearing houses has been the smallest for that quarter since 1881. The average of liabilities per firm in business has been the smallest since 1880, and the average of liabilities per failure has been lower than ever before in any quarter.

The war cloud, which many have inferred must have greatly increased commercial disasters, does not appear to have any such effect as yet, and while there is some decline in the new orders for industries, nearly all live works are covered so far ahead that the difference is not felt. Rates for money have advanced, and the 6 per cent. which used to be the ruling rate in active times, again prevails, which compels many speculators to liquidate.

The iron and steel market shows no decrease, for with works fully employed and some additional works put into operation for government purposes, pig is not lower anywhere, and at Pittsburg a shade higher for Bessemer, because of agreement by valley producers, while without agreement of Mesaba mines the purchases of ore at Cleveland were over 1,000,000 tons for the weak. Billets are still scarce and sheet bars in demand, though wire rods are lower and wire nails are weaker in spite of the imperfect combination of makers. Other prices for manufactured products are unchanged.

Want Nothing but Independence.

Washington, April 2.—"Spain has answered on the lines of its traditional policy," said Senor Quesada, of the Cuban junta, when made acquainted yesterday with Spain's reply. "She will not answer directly, but always by dilatory and evasive replies so as to gain time. The Cubans will accept under no consideration, except after the previous recognition of the Cuban republic, any armistice whatever. There will be no suspension of hostilities on our part until freedom has been assured."

Supplies for Cuba.

New York, April 2.—Shipments of relief supplies to Cuba continue to be made regularly by the central Cuban relief committee. The steamer Bergen, of the Munson line, which left New York Friday, carried 90,000 pounds of cornmeal, 10,000 pounds of clothing and 62,000 pounds of assorted provisions and medicine, to be delivered at Sagua la Grand. Notifications of the shipment to New York of several tons of supplies were received by the committee yesterday.

Laymen Get Representation.

New York, April 2.—The Newark conference in session at East Orange yesterday voted to allow the laymen the same representation as clergymen at the general conference. The vote was 156 for and 29 against it.

Spanish Warships Leave Havana.

Havana, April 2.—The Spanish warships Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo left Havana at 5 o'clock last evening. Immense crowds gathered on the wharves and cheered the ironclads as they steamed away.

Sent for a Monitor.

New York, April 2.—Orders were received by the commander of the New York naval reserve yesterday to send 100 men to League island, Philadelphia, to bring to this port one of the monitors now there.

THE WAR SPIRIT.

It Shows Itself in Both the Senate and House.

A LONG SECRET SESSION.

On the Proposition to Buy the Danish West Indies.

WILL NOT BE PURCHASED.

Naval Appropriation Bill Passed—Number of Torpedo Boats Increased to 24—Both Houses Adjourn Until Monday—War Predicted Within a Week.

Washington, April 2.—In the open session of the senate yesterday Mr. Chandler called up the resolution he introduced Thursday, requesting the president to send the Cuban consular correspondence to the senate, and at his suggestion it was referred to the committee on foreign relations. Immediately afterwards, however, he introduced another resolution which went over, cailing upon the secretary of state for the same information. After the passage of a few bills the senate went into secret legislative session, the proceedings occupying the greater part of the afternoon and being devoted to a discussion of the wisdom of purchasing the Danish West India islands. The session was closed by the practical withdrawal of the resolution by Senator Lodge, its author.

Senator Quay offered a resolution in the following terms: "That the committee on foreign relations be and is hereby instructed to report on or before the 5th inst. a bill for the recognition of the republic of Cuba." It went over under the rule.

These bills were passed: To authorize the secretary of the interior to issue a permit to the American Invalid society, of Boston, to occupy 160 acres of land on the abandoned Fort Stanton military reservation in New Mexico for a national sanitarium for the treatment of pulmonary diseases; to extend the right of commutation to certain homestead settlers on land in Oklahoma, opened to settlement under the provisions of law; and to extend $20,000 to the University of Kansas as relief.

At 4:31 p. m. the senate went from secret legislative session into executive session and soon afterward adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE—After an exceedingly turbulent session of six hours the house passed the naval appropriation bill and then adjourned until Monday. The war spirit was manifested in all the speeches and overrode the naval committee itself by increasing the number of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers to 24, the bill reported providing for but 12. The amendment of Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee to reduce the number of battleships to one, was buried under an overwhelming majority. The provision relating to armor plate, which in ordinary times would have precipitated a debate of several days, was disposed of in 10 minutes, a proposition to decrease the price agreed to in the bill from $400 to $300 per ton being drowned in a perfect chorus of noes.

Mr. Cannon during the course of the day announced the belief of a majority of the members that war would be upon us within a week, and Mr. De Armond of Missouri, made a notable speech declaring that if hostilities were to come it is our duty to strike the first blow.

Councilmen Charged With Bribery.

Philadelphia, April 2.—District Attorney Graham went into court yesterday and asked that warrants be issued for the arrest of Common Councilman Charles Seger, Select Councilman J. Emery Byram, and Nelson G. Green, attorney for the Schuylkill Valley Water Co. At the recent investigation into the charges of bribery, in connection with the Schuylkill valley water bill, the names of Seger, Byram and Green were prominently mentioned by witnesses as having figured in questionable transactions with regard to the extraordinary attempts made to pass the bill.

A Full War Complement.

Philadelphia, April 2.—The commanders of the Pennsylvania national guards say the guards in this city could go out with every company marked up to its full war complement of 100 men inside of 48 hours. On emergency call every company could go out with its peace complement inside of five hours. In spite of assertions to the contrary, it is a matter of fact that instructions have been issued to have the guards in readiness to move and every preparation is going forward to that end.

Four Men Killed.

Louisville, Ky., April 2.—A special to the Times from Campbellsville, Ky., says: A boiler explosion, four miles north of town, at 7 o'clock Friday morning, killed four men outright and fatally hurt another. The dead are: Thomas Ratcliffe, Dock Wright, Clarence Ratcliffe and Thomas Newcombe. Elma Ratcliffe was scalded and will die. The boiler, engine and shingle mill were demolished. Fragments were blown in every direction. Low water caused the accident.

War Believed to be Inevitable.

San Franciso, April 2.—The Evening Post prints a dispatch from Senator Perkins, of California, to the effect that it is the consensus of opinion among those best informed in Washington that unless Spain concedes the independence of Cuba war is inevitable.

Seamen Assigned to Duty.

Fort Monroe, Va., April 2.—The steamer Yorktown, of the Old Dominion line, landed 45 seamen here yesterday, 30 of whom were assigned to the cruiser Columbia and 15 to the Minneapolis, which was expected here last evening.

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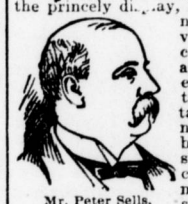

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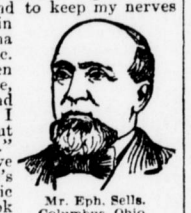

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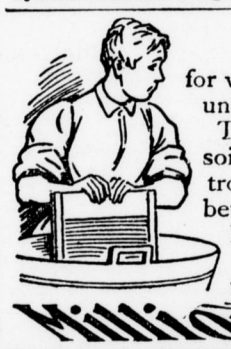

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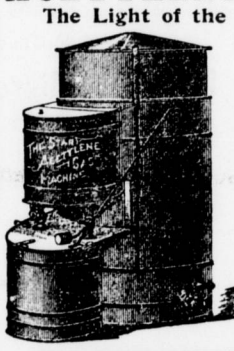

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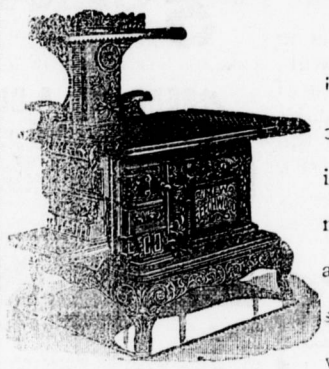

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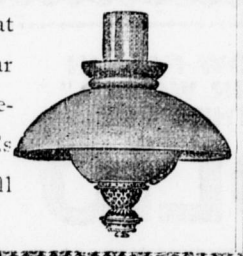

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